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Peking reaffirms desire for peaceful Taiwan settlement

PEKING, Jan. 2 (Agencies) — Senior Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-ping Tuesday assured a group of U.S. congressmen that China sought a peaceful reunification of Taiwan and the Mainland, and he said he hoped that U.S. politicians would not do anything to interfere.

Teng, engaging in a five-day exchange with eight members of the U.S. House Banking Committee, sharply rejected suggestions that an industrialized China would become expansionist, and he extended an invitation to U.S. Senator Barry Goldwater to come to Peking to discuss the Taiwan question.

In Washington, Tony Smith, Goldwater's press aide, said: "We haven't received any kind of invitation, formally or informally."

Smith said Goldwater would

have no comment until he receives official notification of the invitation.

Goldwater, a staunch supporter of Taiwan, has filed suit in U.S. court seeking to prevent President Jimmy Carter from abrogating the mutual defense treaty with Taiwan.

The United States intends to scrap the treaty as a condition of its recognition of Peking, which became official Monday.

Details of Teng's meeting with the committee members, led by Chairman Thomas Ashley of Ohio, were learned from the congressman and from a tape recording made by Republican Representative Richard Kelly of Florida.

In an effort to allay fears in the U.S. over the security of Taiwan following normalization of Sino-American relations, Teng was quoted as telling the group: "The major effort of the People's Republic of China will be to resolve the return of Taiwan through peaceful efforts."

On Goldwater's proposed visit the vice-premier, who is due to visit the United States at the end of his month, said: "I will listen with all modesty to his views and I will not quarrel with him, but welcome his views."

The representatives received a surprise invitation for a meeting from Teng when he attended a reception at the United States Liaison Office Monday to mark the establishment of full diplomatic relations.

Several members of the group closely questioned the vice-premier during the meeting Tuesday.

Teng was quoted as having told them that every man had two hands, a hand of war and a hand of peace.

"We, the People's Republic of China, will use the hand of peace to reestablish our sovereignty over Taiwan," he said.

He added that the problem of reunification was for the Chinese people to solve, but "we will respect the realities of the situation."

"We are very reasonable ...

Turkish interior minister resigns

ANKARA, Jan. 2 (Agencies) — Interior Minister İrfan Özalp resigned Tuesday in the wake of riots last week which led to the imposition of martial law in most of Turkey's major cities.

Özalp, 55, a retired air force general and widely regarded as a strong supporter of Prime Minister Bülent Ecevit, announced his resignation at a caucus meeting of the ruling Social Democrat Republican People's Party (RPP).

"I have done my best and I would like everybody to believe that, I trust that my successor will be more successful than I have," he said in a brief speech.

Ecevit, the party leader, accepted his resignation and

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ANOTHER DAY OF RIOTS: Iranian soldiers with guns at the ready as they guard a street corner in Tehran after rioters started another day of hit and run tactics. — (Wirephoto)

Egypt ready to resume negotiations with Israel

CAIRO, Jan. 2 (Agencies) — Egypt is ready to resume peace treaty negotiations with Israel and is preparing an assessment for relay to the United States, an Egyptian Foreign Ministry official said Tuesday.

The official, who barred use of his name, said Israel's cabinet decision on Sunday was "encouraging and a positive step."

Israel has announced its willingness to resume negotiations on at least two of the three major issues standing in the way of a peace treaty.

The authoritative "Al-Ahram" newspaper noted Israel now agrees to negotiate an exchange of interpretive letters on the issues of Palestinian autonomy and reviewing Sinai security arrangements.

The paper said the decision amounted to a "new position."

But differences remain. Israel has rejected timetables for Palestinian elections "as well as a specific date for reviewing Egyptian troop dispositions in the Sinai Desert."

There was no indication in the Israeli cabinet announcement Sunday of a softening of its stand on Article Six of the U.S. draft treaty. Egypt objects to having the treaty normalizing relations take precedence over its commitments to defend other Arab states in time of war.

Nevertheless, the foreign ministry official saw hopeful signs in Israel's readiness to

negotiate. "At least they are not standing by their previous position of refusing to discuss these issues," the official said.

The Egyptian cabinet meets Wednesday to prepare its assessment of the "necessary basis" for resuming talks and plans to relay it to the United States, "Al-Ahram" said.

Sources said that the United States would determine if tan-

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New settlement attempt foiled by Israeli army

TEL AVIV, Jan. 2 (Agencies) — The Israeli army thwarted a fresh settlement attempt by Jewish nationalists on occupied Arab land Tuesday in a display of government determination to avoid any provocations which might jeopardize resumption of peace talks with Egypt.

The 100 or so settlers, mostly new immigrants from the Soviet Union, occupied a hill top close to Jerusalem during the night and claimed they were "exercising a divine right to live anywhere in the promised land."

Troops blocked off the area and ordered the settlers to leave, warning that they would otherwise be dragged away by force.

After a few hours of halfhearted trying to erect prefabricated dwellings they had hauled up the hill, the settlers gave up and left.

It was the latest of several settlement attempts made in the past week by the fanatical Gush Emunim nationalist movement.

With word now awaited from Cairo on a resumption of peace treaty talks, the government has declared that while it favors the principle of Jewish settlements no unauthorized outposts will be tolerated.

On Sunday 30 families who tried to set up a new settlement at Alon Moreh, near Nablus, the largest Arab town of the West Bank, remained

camped by the roadside some miles from the town throughout the day. They had been halted at an army roadblock.

Leaders of the Gush Emunim movement told a news conference Monday that the three unauthorized settlement attempts were part of their plan to implement, on their own initiative, government promises to enlarge existing settlements during a three-month freeze on new settlement activity under the Camp David agreements.

The bloc spokesmen said the government had failed to live up to its promise to "thicken" existing settlements. The government had not acted but only talked about acting, the spokesmen said.

Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon, responsible for new settlements in Israel and the occupied territories, appealed to residents of the Rafiah approaches — an area to be handed back to Egypt under a peace treaty — not to abandon their homes until alternative arrangements had been made.

He said that final plans for their relocation would not be drawn up until a peace treaty with Egypt had been signed. They would then be fully consulted.

Some residents of villages in Sinai have already announced plans to move away.

Ethiopia warns Somalia over support to rebels

NAIROBI, Jan. 2 (R) — Ethiopian head of state Mengistu Haile Mariam has issued a veiled warning to Somalia to stop helping guerrillas still waging a hit-and-run war in the Ogaden region. He said "this may be the last caution."

Addis Ababa radio, monitored here, said Lt. Col. Mengistu was speaking at a graduation ceremony for cadets from the military academy at Harar in the southern Amhar mountains, a town which proved the stumbling block for Somali attempts to take over the Ogaden region last year.

Mengistu said the concept of a "greater Somalia" embracing all Somali people living within and outside the borders of the present Somali Republic should be abandoned, and Mogadishu should respect internationally recognized frontiers.

He said Somalia's response to Ethiopia's request for this had been negative. "Unless they

refrain from destruction and invasion, the good efforts that have come from our part will be like clapping with one hand," the Ethiopian leader said.

"The message we convey today may be the last one," he added.

Foreigners allowed to leave Tehran

TEHRAN, Jan. 2 (Agencies) — A stream of foreigners left strife-torn Iran Tuesday as scattered new demonstrations against the Shah broke out in Tehran.

At least a few people were reported wounded in the capital, and the official radio said the mayor of the southeastern town of Rafsanjan was shot dead.

Former opposition politician Shahpour Bakhtiar suffered a slight setback in his efforts to form a civilian government.

The lower house of parliament cancelled a planned meeting at which it was to hold a "vote of intent" — involving advance acceptance of Dr. Bakhtiar as prime minister — because of his broadcast plea to the nation Monday night to give him a chance to end the crisis.

At Tehran airport, planes carrying Iranians as well as foreigners were able to leave Tuesday after military personnel took over the duties of air traffic controllers now on strike in protest against the Shah.

The controllers later agreed to go back to work from Tuesday night, but only to allow passengers to leave Iran, airline sources said.

The controllers said they would not handle aircraft flying in from abroad carrying passengers, but would help to get full planes out, the sources added.

"It looks like empty in, full out," one foreign airline official said.

Some Western pilots took off without traffic control supervision, flying below international flight paths in the clear weather to get their nationals home.

The departures seemed to be a prelude to a large-scale foreign evacuation in the face of the increasingly critical political and economic situation.

Many of the foreigners were taking regular commercial flights, but two transport planes from the U.S. and Belgian air forces arrived to take out dependants of their nations' military and oil company personnel.

A West German civilian airliner took Iranians and Westerners of many nationalities to Frankfurt.

Most of the departing Iranians were heavily loaded with baggage, indicating they were planning to stay out of the country for some time.

The parliamentary vote of intent on Prime Minister-Designate Bakhtiar was not essential but house sources said many deputies were angry at his decision to announce his platform on radio and television.

The state radio said two people waiting in a Tehran shopping queue were killed when a soldier's machinegun went off accidentally.

The radio said that in the southern town of Feroozabad, some government offices and banks were set on fire by demonstrators, but in the northwestern city of Rezaiyeh 100,000 protesters held a two-hour demonstration which went off peacefully.

Bakhtiar was to face a required vote of confidence in the lower house later if he received a formal mandate from the Shah to go ahead as premier.

In his broadcast speech, which was still being transmitted Tuesday, the premier-designate pledged to free political prisoners, promote civil liberties, reinstate a free press and gradually lift martial law.

But he did not mention the Shah, and it was still unclear whether the monarch would leave the country, at least temporarily.

Most opposition leaders said he must leave if law and order were to be restored. Many

anti-Shah demonstrators demanded his execution.

Hundreds of heavily armed soldiers, patrolled Tehran airport Tuesday.

One Air India jet coming from Dubai in the United Arab Emirates got no response from the airport control tower on its approach and turned back for the Gulf, airport sources said.

Soldiers also maintained order in long queues of people and cars awaiting kerosene and petrol in Tehran.

The official radio said negotiations were going on between the authorities and railway

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Algeria's NLF to meet to nominate successor

ALGIERS, Jan. 2 (R) — Algeria's interim leadership Monday night took the first step towards naming a successor to the late President Houari Boumedienne, who died last week leaving no obvious successor.

The Council of the Revolution, chaired by Acting President Rabah Bitat, said it had decided to call a congress of the country's sole political party, the National Liberation Front, "in the time span provided by the constitution."

The large announcement was interpreted as meaning that the party congress would be held in the next few weeks and that presidential elections could follow before Feb. 9, when Bitat's temporary mandate expires.

It is widely expected that the presidential successor will come from within the revolutionary council, and will closely follow President Boumedienne's policies at home and abroad.

Among possible candidates

are Col. Muhammad Salah Yahyawi, one of the more radical men in the council, and Foreign Minister Abdul Aziz Bouteflika, a close ally of the late president.

The Algerian constitution, promulgated only two years before Boumedienne became ill unexpectedly and died, states that the chairman of the national assembly shall become head of state for a maximum period of 45 days if a president dies.

During the interim period, an extraordinary party congress is convened to nominate one presidential candidate and a new poll is organized.

Monday's announcement did not mention presidential elections. But the specific references to the constitution by the council and by the People's Army Sunday were seen as definite pointers.

The army, which was Boumedienne's power base, is strongly in favor of an early

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At Giza

Saudi investors raise \$22m for hotel project

By Farouk Logman
JEDDAH, Jan. 2—Saudi private investors were involved last week in a major financing operation on the international capital market for the construction of a hotel near the Pyramids at Giza outside Cairo.

A consortium of Egyptian, Arab and international banks led by American Express last Thursday signed a loan agreement to provide \$22 million for the completion of the Giza Holiday Inn by the Al-Shams Pyramids Company for Hotels and Tourist Resorts.

Saudi investors hold 50 per cent of the company's \$13

Singapore trade group due here

By a Staff Reporter
JEDDAH, Jan. 2—A 24-member Singapore mission led by Minister of State for Finance Dr. Tal Eij Liang will visit Saudi Arabia, Jan. 15-24, in return for a visit paid by Saudi Deputy Minister of Commerce Yusuf Al-Hamdan to Singapore last year.

The mission, made up of 11 government officials and 13 private manufacturers, will discuss trade and the promotion of Singapore products here, a spokesman told "Arab News" Tuesday.

The mission will confer with Governor of Mecca Prince Fawaz, the President of Jeddah Chamber of Commerce Sheikh Ismail Abu Daud, and a number of banking officials. It will also visit Jeddah Port.

Meanwhile — A trade mission from Britain's Cardiff Chamber of Commerce will arrive here Friday on a two-week visit.

The 15 members of the mission, all of them company executives and exporters, will visit Jeddah, Riyadh and Dammam for talks with Saudi businessmen on setting joint ventures or agencies for British products.

million capital, Sheikh Abdullah Al-Baroom of the company said Tuesday. The main shareholders are Prince Khalid bin Turki with 10 per cent, Ali and Fahd Shabukshi with 15 per cent, Ibrahim Al-Malek's Al-Malikiya Company with 15 per cent and Baroom with 10 per cent.

A West German Company owns 10 per cent and the remaining 45 per cent is held by two Egyptian corporations.

The Al-Shams company was formed in 1976 and construction of the Holiday Inn began last year on a site on the Cairo-Alexandria road, Baroom said. The hotel will have 534 rooms and is expected to cost in the region of \$40 million. The hotel's main structure has been completed.

Among the banks taking part in the credit are the American-Egyptian Bank, the International Arab Bank Ltd. of Jordan and Saudi Arabia, Cairo-Barclays Bank International, the Arab European Bank, the First National Bank of Boston and the London, New York and Hong Kong branches of the Union Des Banques Arabes-Francaises (UBAF).

Dammam redevelopment
SPA adds—The Saudi Railroad Organization Tuesday signed an agreement with a Saudi real estate company to develop the site of Dammam's railroad station as a housing and office complex.

The agreement creates a joint venture between the organization and the semi-state Saudi Hotels and Resort Areas Company (SEHARACO) to develop the 50,000 square-meter site in the heart of Dammam.



FLOOD: A car splashes through a flooded street in Sharafa Tuesday morning after Jeddah's first proper winter rain. Flooding was worst in the Medina Road and Prince Fahd Street areas.

Jeddah gets first shower of winter

JEDDAH, Jan. 2 (SPA)—Jeddah had its first winter shower early Tuesday morning when 9 millimeters of rain fell in a 40-minute torrential cloudburst, according to the Jeddah Observatory.

The observatory said Tuesday that a cold front from Siberia had moved south-eastward across the Mediterranean and met a seasonal trough of low pressure over East Africa.

The weather was unsettled for some time over the western peninsula but improved during the day from a minimum of 22 degrees Centigrade to 28 degrees Centigrade.

At Tabuk

Minister opens power station today

RIYADH, Jan. 2 (SPA)—Minister of Industry and Electricity Dr. Ghazi Algosabi leaves for Tabuk Wednesday

morning to open the new power plant and electricity network in the northern town.

According to Dr. Nazih Nassif, chairman of the board of the Tabuk Electricity Company, the new plant has a capacity of 38.2 megawatts.

The new plant, which has cost SR 150 million, will meet present requirements of the city, he said.

He added that the Dutch company, which built the station, has also conducted a study on the city's power requirements over the next 10 years. The study is being examined by the General Electricity Organization, he said.

Nassif said subscribers had increased from 3,000 in 1977 to 9,000 last year. By the end of this year, there will be a total of 10,000 subscribers in the town, he added.

The new plant has increased power in the Tabuk grid by more than ten times.

Local Briefs

● RIYADH, (SPA) — A total of 15 municipal projects worth SR14,213,000 to be implemented in periods ranging from two to 18 months were commissioned Tuesday by Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs Prince Majed.

● RIYADH, (SPA) — Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan Tuesday received Kuwaiti Ambassador to Saudi Arabia Saud Al-Osaimi.

● RIYADH, (SPA) — Minister of Municipal and Rural

Affairs Prince Majed Tuesday received Turkey's Ambassador to Saudi Arabia Fekret Barsom. Prince Majed, as acting minister of public works and housing, discussed the performance of Turkish companies in Saudi public works.

● BAHJA, (SPA) — Eight telephone channels have been added to the existing four in Bahja's telephone network. The new channels will be linked to the Riyadh satellite ground station within the coming few days.

All Saudis soon

Asir said solving teacher shortage

ASIR, Jan. 2 (SPA) — The shortage of Saudis in the southern region school system has almost been eliminated and native teachers will fill all teaching posts "within a few years", Asir Deputy Director of Education Mehdi Al-Raqedi said here Tuesday.

Of the 4,651 teachers working at primary, intermediate and secondary level in Asir, 3,751 are Saudis, Raqedi said. Asir has 376 primary, 63 intermediate and 10 secondary schools, three schools for learning the Holy Quran, a teachers' training institute and an institute for the blind.

A total of 46 primary, 14 intermediate and three secondary schools were opened this year, he said.

In all there are 41,000 students, with an additional 7,680 at 220 adult literacy centers, he said.

The directorate has provided a central health unit in Abha, with four branches around the province, a fleet of 220 buses, a public library in Abha and a successful school-meal system "which has had a beneficial effect on students' physical and mental well-being," Raqedi said.

Meanwhile, Crown Prince Fahd has donated SR 5 million to the College of Education in Medina, which he is scheduled to open shortly. "Al-Medina" newspaper reported Tuesday.

The newly-built college has a separate section for women students.

The paper quoted Dr. Ahmed Ismail Zafer, dean of the college, as saying that the donation will go toward a public library to be named after him.

Ministry demands employment data

RIYADH, Jan. 2 (SPA) — The Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs Tuesday called on firms and factories in Saudi Arabia to supply labor offices with information on their personnel strength last year.

The information will be used in planning and applying labor regulations, the ministry said. Employers have been given two months in which to answer the ministry questionnaire.

the crown prince. Meanwhile, Prince Nawwaf bin Abdul Aziz has announced a donation of SR 1 million to help the college, the paper said.

Literacy day
RIYADH, Jan. 2 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia will mark the International Day for the Eradication of Illiteracy, on Jan. 8, the Education Ministry announced Tuesday.

The ministry is working on the first five-year stage of a 20-year program to eradicate

illiteracy in Saudi Arabia. The program is in collaboration with other government agencies, particularly the Ministry of Defense and Aviation, the Public Security Department of the Ministry of the Interior and the National and Royal Guards whose members account for about 20 per cent of all illiterates in the Kingdom.

A total of 72,225 students are attending adult education and literacy schools in Saudi Arabia this academic year, the ministry said.

University plans clinic for veterinary medicine



KHARJ BULL: A handler shows off his prize Friesian bull introduced to improve the dairy herd at the oasis of Kharj, south of Riyadh.

RIYADH, Jan. 2 (SPA) — The King Faisal University of the Eastern Province is building a world-scale veterinary hospital in Abha under the supervision of the university's College of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Resource.

Dr. Ali Abdul Aziz Abdul Qader, vice-dean of the School of Students' Affairs, said Tuesday that the hospital will give health care to domestic animals and livestock and will carry out research and experiments for the improvement of stock breeding and arable farming in the Kingdom.

Meanwhile, a number of pre-

fab clinics, being set up by the Ministry of Health in Qasim district, will be handed over to the Directorate of Health there shortly. A regional depot of the ministry, on the Buraidah/Unaiyah road, will also be commissioned.

Short hair for long-distance

JEDDAH, Jan. 2 — Operators at Jeddah's international exchange have had their pay stopped until they have their hair cut, "Okaz" reported Tuesday.

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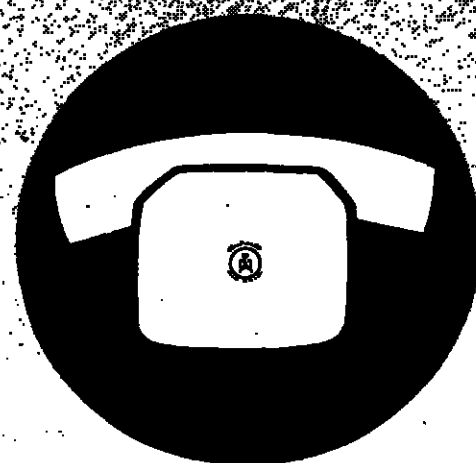
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Pakistan acts on labor racketeers

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 2 (R) — Pakistan's government said yesterday it would take strong action to stamp out the practice of selling false papers and permits to people wishing to go abroad to work.

New rules on Pakistanis seeking work abroad to be drawn up will include heavy penalties for bogus recruitment, a government statement added. Some 550 Pakistani agencies recruit workers for countries with manpower shortages. Remittances from Pakistanis working abroad total more than \$1 billion a year in vital foreign exchange.

Kaddoumi leads team for talks in Baghdad

BEIRUT, Jan. 2 (R) — A Palestinian commando team, led by the head of the Palestine Liberation Organization's political department Farouk Kaddoumi, left here Tuesday for Baghdad for talks with Iraqi leaders, the Palestine news

agency Wafa reported. It said the discussions would cover ways of confronting the results of the Israeli-Egyptian Camp David accords in the light of resolutions adopted by the Baghdad Arab summit two months ago.

Most of the Pakistani immigrants had flown to East Berlin and entered West Berlin, claiming political asylum as members of former Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party.

Berlin is considered one undivided city by Western powers and this offers a loophole in immigration controls for people who cross the border from East Berlin.

The Pakistan government has tried to block one route by insisting on visas for Turkey, a country strategically located

for a final dash by smuggled migrants across Eastern Europe to Berlin.

There are long queues in Pakistan for permits to emigrate, which are distributed on the basis of manpower requirements made known by the host country.

Racketeers over the export of labor have flourished. Migrants are either sent abroad without documents from the host country, or simply robbed of their

money.

The statement implied that civil servants were involved in the racketeering.

It also clarified an earlier statement that it renewed the licenses of only 160 recruiting agencies.

"Government policy is to encourage the export of manpower in a healthy way rather than putting any hindrances in this process," it said.

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It was dated Dec. 21. Algerian President Houari Boumedienne was then in a coma that had given rise to speculation as to who would succeed him and that culminated in his death Wednesday.

A Moroccan official at the U.N. asking not to be named, denied the charge and said it was made only to distract attention from difficulties inside Algeria.

Algerian Foreign Minister

Locusts poised, expert claims

NAIROBI, Jan. 2 (AP) — Millions of swarming locusts, escaping inadequate extermination efforts in East Africa, will infest the Middle East and the Asian Subcontinent early this year, the chairman for the Desert Locust Control Organization of East Africa (DLCOEA) warned Tuesday.

Ethiopia Radio quoted Dr. Geremew Debele as saying the insects were now simply "beyond the control of DLCOEA".

Debele, who is also Ethiopia's agricultural minister, blamed heavy rains on both of the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden for the infestation, the radio said.

Locusts, large migratory grasshoppers, bred in northern Somalia, northern and south-eastern Ethiopia, and parts of Sudan last year, largely as a result of control teams being unable to travel to breeding areas because of the war between Ethiopia and Somalia and Ethiopian efforts to defeat Eritrean rebels.

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HAVOC: If predictions are valid, swarms of locusts such as this one — photographed ten years ago in Somalia — will sweep across the Red Sea on prevailing winds and may even threaten the Subcontinent. An Ethiopian expert says extermination efforts have been inadequate over the past year.

124 Swarms

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DLCOEA officials warned

the insects would begin to move into Kenya this month on prevailing winds and also west into the Middle East.

14 Tons

Countries were warned to prepare extermination measures in the battle to spare

East Africa from massive crop destruction by the locusts, which can consume about twice their weight in grain each day.

Locust control officials have said a swarm covering one square mile can destroy about 14 tons of grain daily during its migration.

Miss Bhutto's arrest extended

LAHORE, Jan. 2 (R) — Miss Benazir Bhutto, 25, elder daughter of Pakistan's condemned ex-Premier Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, has been placed under house arrest in Islamabad for another three months, an official statement said Tuesday. She has been under house arrest since October after she had toured several towns seeking support for her father. She was accused of making speeches prejudicial to public order and inciting people to break the law.

Bangladesh martial law may end

DAKKA, Jan. 2 (AP) — President Ziaur Rahman said Tuesday that martial law would be lifted within seven days after parliament was convened one month after the parliamentary polls scheduled for Feb. 12.

Qatari youth council established

DOHA, Jan. 2 (R) — The Ruler of Qatar Sheikh Khalifa bin Hamad Al-Thani Tuesday issued a decree establishing the country's first Youth Welfare Council, it was announced here. The council, to be headed by his apparent and Defense Minister Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, will replace the Youth Affairs Department of the Ministry of education.

Gulf health ministers meet

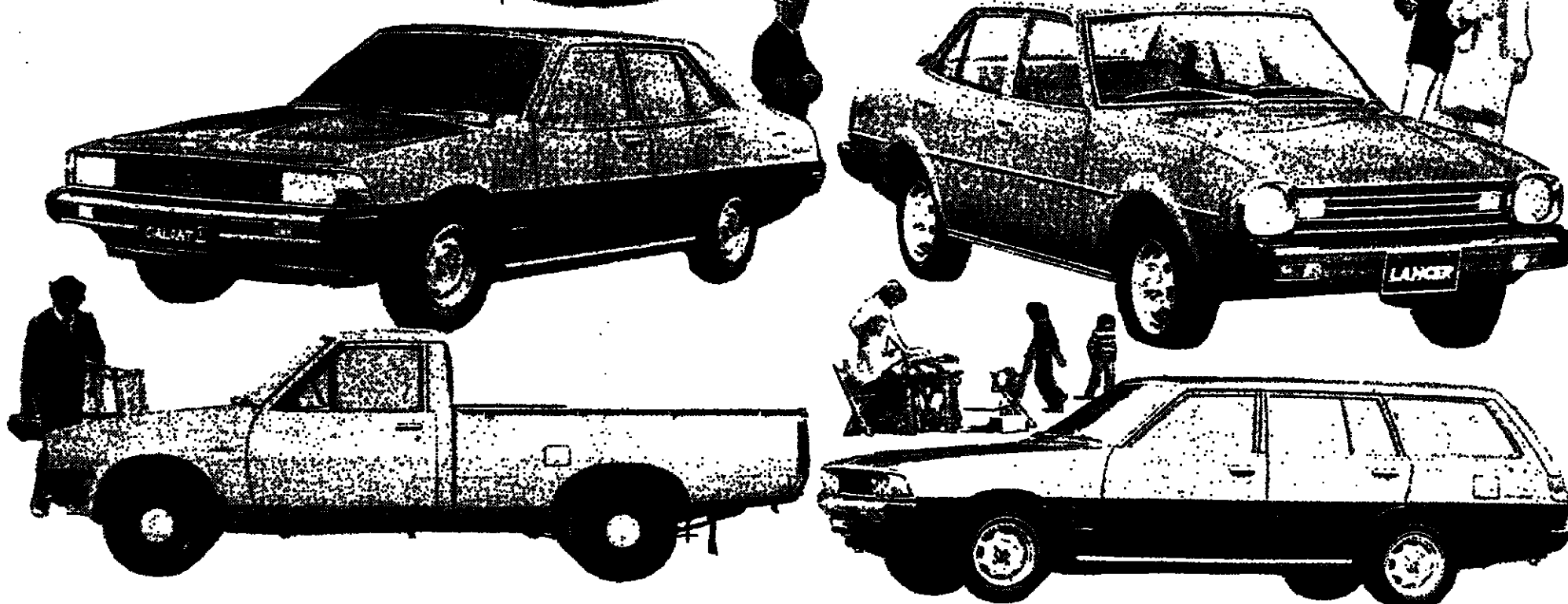
MUSCAT, Jan. 2 (R) — Health ministers of gulf states met here Tuesday to discuss co-ordination in medical fields including combating endemic diseases and expanding health services, Oman radio reported.

West Bank bomb kills 2 Arabs

TEL AVIV, Jan. 2 (UPI) — Two Arabs were killed Monday in the village of Isawiya when a bomb exploded and police claimed they were commandos, news reports said Tuesday.

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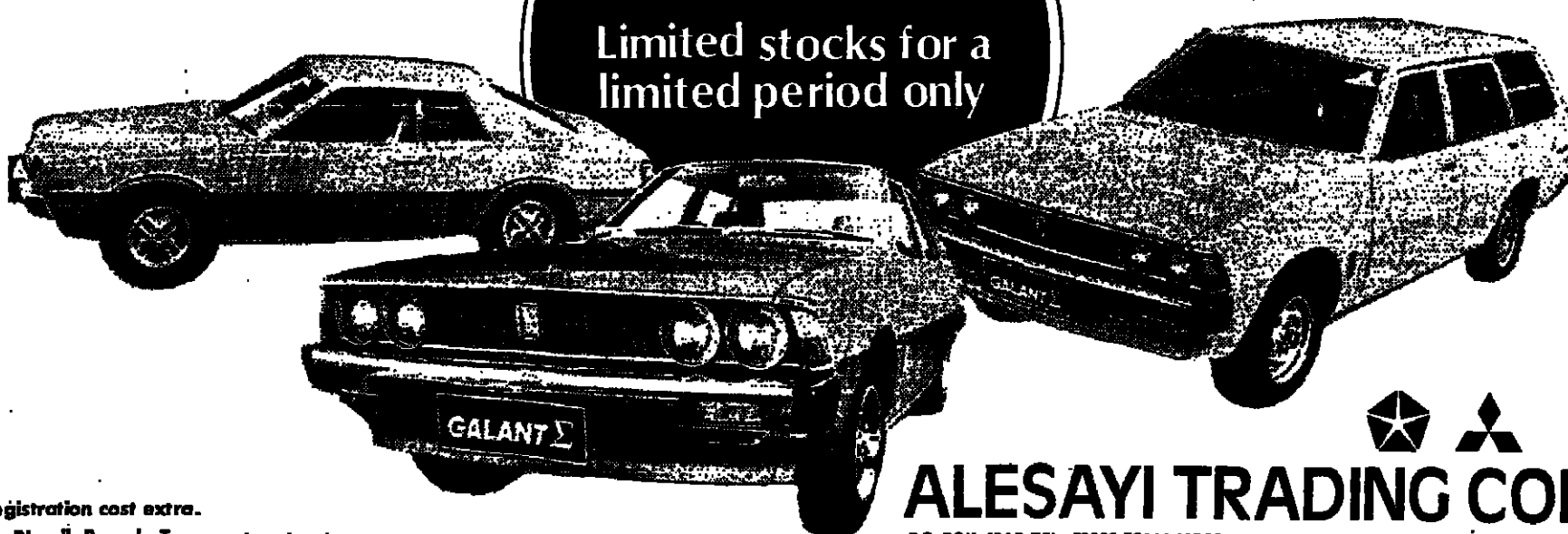
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15.3 million gallons thought spilled

Stricken tanker moves out to sea

LA CORUNA, Spain Jan. 2 (UPI) — The crippled and leaking oil supertanker "Andros Patria" moved away from the Spanish coast Tuesday but detergent-spraying tugs prepared to combat the estimated 15.3 million gallon slick of Iranian crude it left behind.

Calling the slick "big" a navy lieutenant who flew over the area said it lay 10 miles off this port city on Spain's north-west coast.

But the prevailing winds were blowing the crude north towards France and England and away from the local fishing banks and bathing beaches, maritime officials said.

The Spanish Navy said the tug "Wijsmuller" had taken the 218,000-ton ship in tow and that it was moving out to sea. Other reports said the tanker was actually sailing under its own power.

The last established position of the tanker was 50 miles off the northwestern tip of Spain. The navy first said the tanker was going "towards Lisbon" but later corrected itself to say simply that it was going "towards the southwest."

A navy communique said "craft based in La Coruna and equipped with means to control and counter the oil slicks are already in action." Military air-

craft kept track of the location of the slick.

The national news agency EFE estimated the spill at some 950,000 tons, but none of the official navy or government communiques gave a figure.

The Greek-registered "Andros Patria," carrying 208,000 tons of crude to Rotterdam, ran into trouble Sunday night in gale force winds and heavy seas off the Spanish coast.

When a 15-meter crack developed in the side of the hull, the ship began to spill oil and explosions and a fire hit the tanker. The captain and 28 others including his wife and son abandoned ship and were lost.

Three men stayed on board to try to save the ship and they were picked up Monday by helicopters and saved.

Of those who abandoned ship and were lost, nine bodies have been recovered.

Officials said the bodies were burned. They said that contrary to first reports that the lifeboats capsized, the boats must have carried the people into burning oil on the surface of the sea.

The survivors said 32 people were originally aboard the tanker, and not 37 as the Spanish Navy reported.



SKYLAB: The 85-ton Skylab, the American orbiting space laboratory, which is due to crash to Earth sometime between the middle of this year and the middle of the next. It has been steadily losing altitude, and scientists have abandoned hope of saving it.

But scientists scoff

N.Z. fighters prowl for UFOs

AUCKLAND, Jan. 2 (AP) — Experts pooh-poohed a TV crew's claim that it filmed UFOs but the New Zealand Air Force put a plane in the air to chase any more suspicious sky travelers that show up.

David Mabin, head of New Zealand's Mount John Observatory, said the unidentified flying objects the Australian TV men said they filmed over the weekend and another sight-

ing reported on the east coast of Australia early Tuesday were almost certainly the planet Venus.

Mabin said Venus is currently at its brightest and can be seen for about 12 hours a day. "From a moving aircraft or from a car, it could appear to be moving at the same speed because of the great distance," he said.

Leading British astronomer Sir Bernard Lovell told London newspapers the sightings were probably meteorites that failed to burn up on entering the atmosphere, that it was "depressing and deplorable" that bright objects in the heavens could be imagined as visitors from outer space, and that such suggestions were science fiction.

The Australian television films were shown in the United States Monday on the CBS Evening News, and afterward UFO expert Allen Hynek of Northwestern University said "this is certainly one of the best if not the best, purported UFO films I've seen. I'm cautioning you to be wary of it simply because it doesn't fit a general pattern. It is a nocturnal light and light seen in the night sky can be caused by a great many things."

Another UFO expert, Phillip Khas, an editor of "Aviation Week and Space Technology Magazine," said on the same broadcast, "my preliminary conclusion at this point is that it is probably the planet Venus and that the numerous radar echoes which were reported to be behind them, which we see no images of, were probably the familiar radar 'angels' that are so prevalent in the Southern Hemisphere at this time of year."

Quentin Fogarty, a reporter for a Melbourne TV station, said his crew filmed the UFOs for seven minutes Saturday night from a plane over Kaikoura, in the eastern region of New Zealand's South Island.

He hired the plane to retrace a New Zealand airline flight that reported seeing UFOs Dec. 21 over Cook Strait, the narrow channel that separates the two islands of New Zealand.

"There were bright globules of light pulsating and expanding and lighting up the sea shore and town of Kaikoura," Fogarty said.

The New Zealand Defense Ministry said fighter-bombers would be sent up to investigate if any more unusual radar signals are received.

Zaire minister reported arrested for embezzling

KINSHASA, Jan. 2 (UPI) — Agriculture Minister Tapa Tondede Zambite has been arrested on charges of embezzling public funds, Radio Zaire reported Tuesday.

The arrest has not been officially confirmed by the government yet, but the news appeared for the first time in a local paper Monday and the announcement by the government-controlled radio was seen as a strong indication it was true. Earlier rumors had said the minister had fled the country.

Tapa Tondede was accused of having embezzled substantial

Shark kills Natal swimmer

DURBAN, Jan. 2 (UPI) — The authorities have blamed a great white shark for the death of a 23-year-old policeman who was attacked while skin diving off the Natal coast.

Officials said Constable Steenkamp was hit while swimming on the surface with a group of experienced divers. One tried to drive the shark away with his speargun, but veered off when he discovered the shark was not put off.

Marine experts estimated from the bite of the shark that it weighed about 350 kilos. The shark attacked as the men were diving about 20 meters from shore Sunday afternoon.

One of the surviving divers, Anton Marais, said the shark clamped its massive jaws around both legs of Steenkamp, who managed to prise himself loose.

As the shark turned to strike again, Marais said he shot the shark in the gills with his speargun, giving him time to pull ashore the badly bleeding policeman. But he died before they reached the beach.

Shark attacks against swimmers and surfers are relatively frequent on the Natal coast, but authorities said the Steenkamp attack was the first fatal one against a diver in 30 years.

There are about two to four reported shark attacks in South African waters each year, but shark experts say these statistics do not include solitary swimmers who simply disappear.

Among the last to be bitten was 20-year-old Kim Pearce, who had his left leg snapped off by a tiger shark a year ago.

Draft Rhodesian constitution bows to whites on new name

SALISBURY, Jan. 2 (R) — A draft constitution for a black ruled Rhodesia with a powerful measure of continued white influence was published Tuesday and contained one major surprise — the name of the new country will be Zimbabwe Rhodesia.



Smith: safeguards

The name itself was another success for the whites in the planning of the new nation scheduled to emerge after one-man, one-vote elections on April 20.

During years of struggle against white supremacy, black fighters had always referred to their hoped-for state simply as Zimbabwe.

But in recent months the white minority had pressed strongly to have the name Rhodesia retained as a symbol of their achievements.

Blacks in Ian Smith's transitional government evidently agreed to the compromise name in a bid to bolster flagging white morale, political

sources said. The new constitution must be approved by whites in a referendum Jan. 30. The draft constitution, set out in 151 pages, was published by the government with a slim document which gives the main provisions in layman's language to help whites assimilate it before the referendum.

The first section says simply: "The name of the country will be Zimbabwe Rhodesia."

Subsequent chapters give the composition of parliament, the judiciary and the commissions running the security forces, while the civil service will remain under white day-to-day control.

White majority will be built into the commissions for the immediate future as no blacks now have the qualifications necessary to fill most of the seats.

There will be two houses of parliament — a 30-seat Senate, which will be two-thirds black, and a House of Assembly in which 72 of the 100 members will be black.

The country's first universal suffrage election will be followed for at least five years by a government of national unity which will reflect the composition of the House of Assembly.

The national government coalition will be led by an executive Council of Ministers.

The head of state will be a president appointed by an electoral college comprising members of the senate and House

of Assembly. The president will appoint as prime minister the man with the most followers elected to the House of Assembly.

For the first national government, the president will appoint ministers from each party which holds more than five seats in the house, in proportion to the number of seats held. Each party leader will advise the president on selection of his minister.

That means the prime minister will be able to select only his own party's quota of ministers.

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Shooting, bombing

Two killed in Basque terrorism



PAMPLONA: Basques march for autonomy last summer. In Pamplona Tuesday a police explosives expert was killed trying to defuse a bomb, and in San Sebastian an army major was assassinated outside the house.

MADRID, Jan. 2 (Agencies) — Presumed Basque separatists gunned down an army major Tuesday and a bomb blew apart a police explosives expert as terrorism in northern Spain wasted no time in starting 1979.

Terrorists in the city of San Sebastian were waiting for Maj. Jose Maria Herrera outside his home Tuesday morning and hit him with submachinegun fire when he started to leave for his office.

Herrera was an adjutant to the military governor of Guipuzcoa province.

The Spanish defense minister recently said the Basque separatist group ETA was trying to provoke the army into intervening in the terrorist struggle in northern Spain and thereby halting national democratization.

In the last three months of 1978, ETA killed 39 people, many of them policemen.

In Pamplona, a blast killed Francisco Berlanga Robles, He and another bomb squad member were trying to defuse a device that had been planted near the offices of a well-known

right-winger.

Witnesses said he was badly mutilated. Not one stitch of grey uniform was left visible on what remained of the body.

The killers in San Sebastian stole a car early in the morning to carry out their operation. Reports put the number of gunmen involved at two or three and they escaped in the stolen car.

Also Tuesday, ETA claimed responsibility for killing two people last weekend in separate attacks in the Basque country.

Rhodesian guerrillas strike white Salisbury

SALISBURY, Jan. 2 (UPI) — Black guerrillas early Tuesday blasted a house in a white region of the capital with rockets and small arms fire, causing damage but no casualties. It was the closest attack so far to the center of Salisbury.

The attack on the house of Colin and Jean Shirley in the suburb of Borrowdale well within the Salisbury city limits was mounted by 10 to 20 insurgents, according to a friend of the family.

There were eight in the house at the time.

Mrs. Shirley said a rocket struck a steel and wood pole outside the house and fragmented. A large piece of shrapnel

ripped through the room, brought down the curtains, tore through a wall and pierced the deep freezer.

Immediately after the blast, bullets were fired into the house.

"We were drinking coffee in the living room," Mrs. Shirley said. "We are just grateful no one was hurt badly. It was all over in a flash."

The Shirleys had just returned from the airport where they had picked up a family friend, Sue Tyson, 24, of Johannesburg. She had come to attend the wedding of one of the Shirley daughters.

Miss Tyson was slightly hurt.

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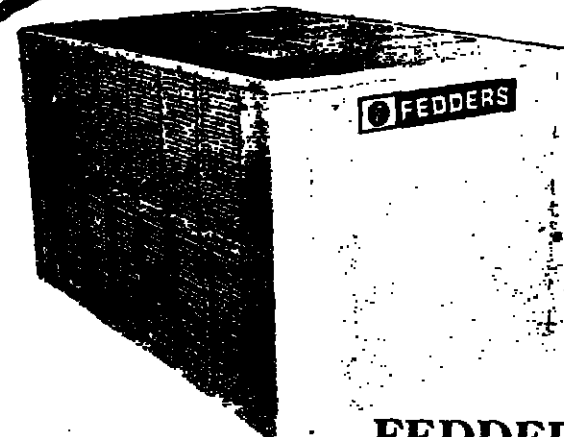
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Major offensive seen in Cambodia; Phnom Penh says Soviets involved

NGKOK, Jan. 2 (Agency) — Kampuchea (Cambodia) accused Vietnam of launching deep attacks inside the country since last week and led to friendly countries the U.N. for support.

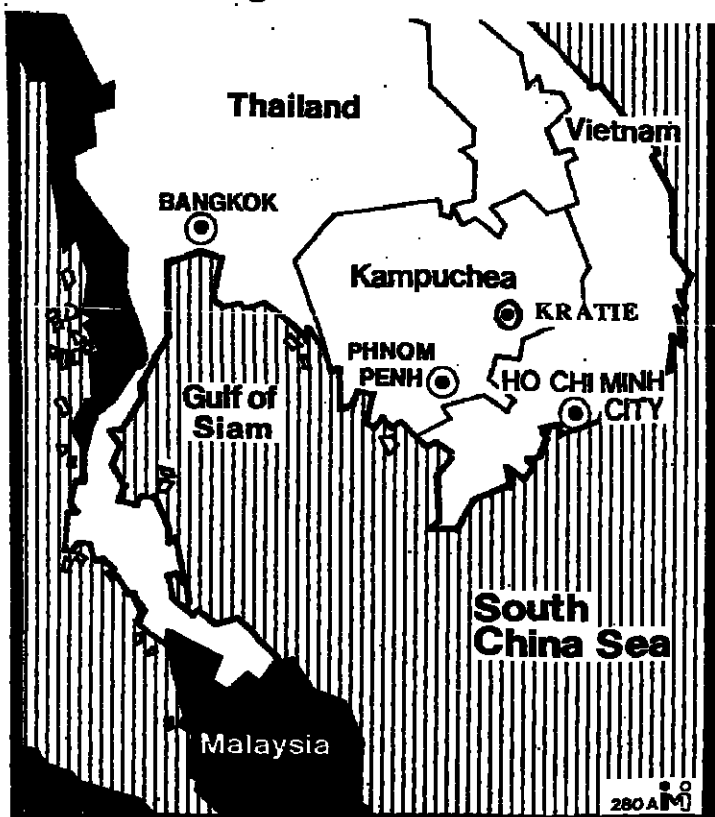
A high Cambodian official, in a message made public here, charged that Soviet troops have joined in attacks aimed at annexing Cambodia.

Prime Minister Ieng Sary, in a message to U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, said Vietnam had used 9 and MiG-21 fighters in recent attacks on the southeast Cambodian border.

Sary charged that Vietnamese attacks were "aimed at over Cambodia and its expansion toward Asia to gratify its ambition and at the same time realize the ambition of Soviet expansionism in Asia of the great power, the Soviet Union."

In Phnom Penh the statement read that the Soviet Union had "helped" the Vietnamese to capture the strategic Mekong River port of Kratie, which controls river and land supply routes to the northeast.

There were conflicting reports on the situation in Kratie. Some diplomatic sources said they had no confirmation



of the capture of Kratie, and said last reports indicated the Vietnamese were 40 kilometers from the town, pushing inland from border enclaves.

But they may well be in Kratie by now, they added. Other sources in Bangkok confirmed that Kratie had fallen, but could not provide details on what had happened in the area since its capture.

Khieu Samphan, a French-educated economist who joined Cambodia's communist in the 1960s, said that Vietnamese forces suffered nearly 10,000 killed or wounded in the last three months of 1978, but

launched their second "strategic offensive" on Dec. 25. The first was staged a year ago and was, according to Cambodian claims, repulsed with heavy Vietnamese losses.

"The ruthless, savage international enemies are inflicting all kinds of devastation on the Kampuchean nation and people, and are causing us a difficult time temporarily," he said.

The speech, the date of which was not given, did not mention the insurgent group formed last month which has vowed to topple the Phnom Penh government and has taken credit for the Kratie capture.

The front in turn has not mentioned Vietnamese involvement. A communiqué released Tuesday by the Front's news agency SPK said one of its key policies was to end the border conflict with Vietnam.

Samphan said Vietnam and its supporters had also mobilized forces to launch an invasion into the northeastern provinces of Ratanakiri and Kratie and along National Route 7 in the east, "most arrogantly and savagely committing deep penetrations into Kampuchean territory in complete disregard of international law and practice and of world public opinion."

The statement, broadcast by Radio Phnom Penh and monitored here, appealed for support from all Kampuchean friends in its protracted border war with Vietnam which is growing in intensity. It called on U.N. members and non-aligned countries for help.

China backs Phnom Penh in its border conflict

20th anniversary ceremony

Castro lashes out at U.S., China, Egypt

NA, Jan. 2 (R) — President Fidel Castro launched a vehement attack on the United States, Egypt, and China, blaming the deaths of thousands of people in Latin America on the U.S. and China.

speech Monday night on the 20th anniversary of the Cuban revolution, Castro

accused the U.S. of hypocrisy and China of selling its revolution for Western technology and finance. "Egypt, too, had been bought by the West," he said.

The world revolutionary movement had suffered setbacks as the West sought to bribe progressive countries with its riches, Castro said. But new Communist countries

were emerging and revolutionary victories would multiply, he said.

The U.S. was trying to force Cuba to change its policies through an economic embargo which was "a criminal attempt at strangulation and economic genocide against our people," he said.

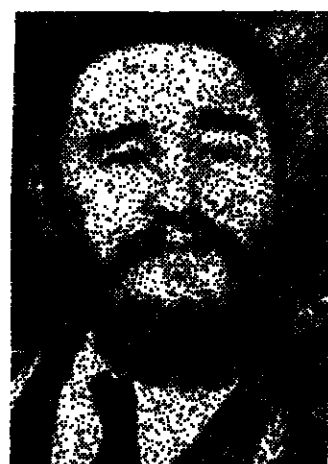
But he said Cuba would not give up a single principle. It did not oppose diplomatic and commercial relations with the U.S. in the interests of peace, but first demanded that the embargo be lifted without conditions, he said.

The U.S. had set itself up as the owner of Latin America, trying to direct the politics of the continent, and backing bloody repressive regimes in Nicaragua, Chile and elsewhere, Castro said.

"Tens of thousands of dead directly from repression ... that is the macabre fruit of regimes set up and supported by the United States" he declared.

"Who told the U.S. that the peoples of Latin America cannot choose socialism?" Castro asked.

The U.S. was a "rotten



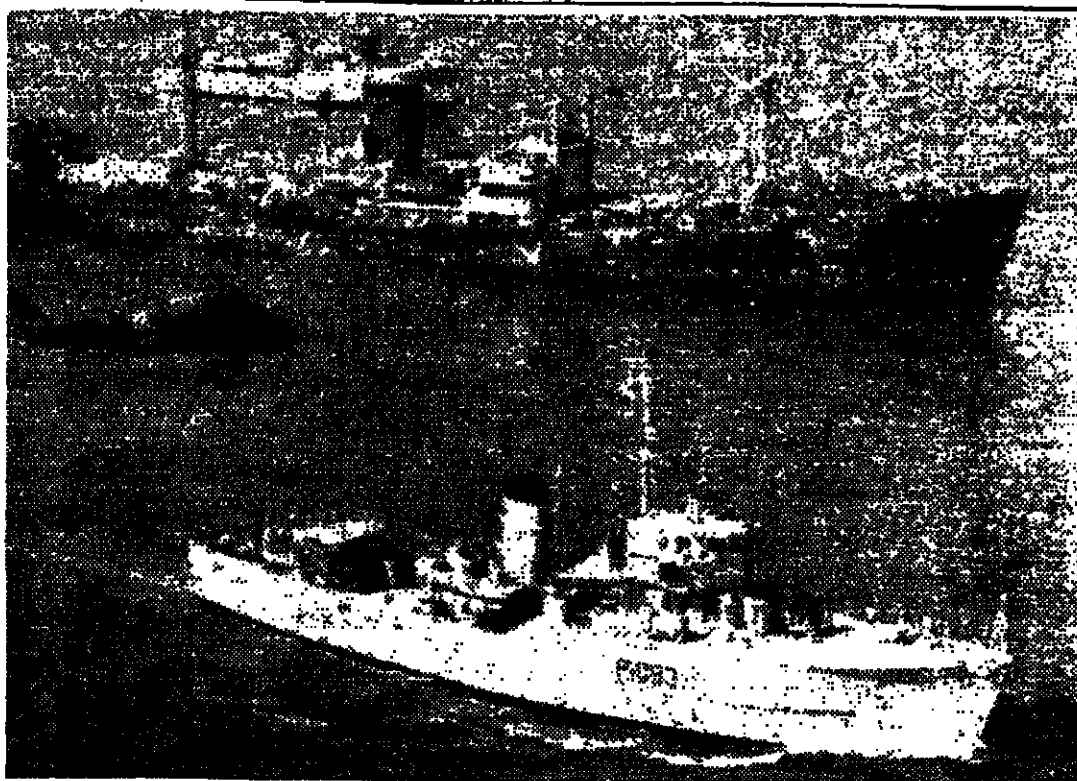
Fidel Castro

pseudo-democracy," which discriminated against blacks, and allowed violence, vice and crime, he added.

The speech was Castro's most severe attack on the U.S. in the past two years, but it was not clear if it signaled any significant worsening in relations between the countries.

These have improved somewhat since President Carter came to office.

The bitter attack on both Peking and Washington came on the heels of the U.S.-China rapprochement.



SUPPLIES: A Royal Navy helicopter on a recent supply mission flew to the 'Huey Fong', anchored 1.5 kilometers off Hong Kong. Tuesday, a refugee died on board the ship for the first time since it came to the colony.

'Tung An' still off Manila

Refugee dies aboard 'Huey Fong'

HONG KONG, Jan. 2 (Agencies) — A Vietnamese refugee died Tuesday off internal bleeding aboard the stranded Taiwanese freighter "Huey Fong" — but Hong Kong still stood firm on its decision to bar entry to the 2,700 homeless on the ship.

A government spokesman said, "Of course this is very sad and unfortunate, but the Hong Kong government's position remains the same. This is not the ship's first port of call."

As the "Huey Fong" saga entered its 11th day, the ship's Taiwanese skipper radioed news of the first death aboard the ship.

He said the 59-year-old refugee had died bleeding shortly after midnight.

It was not known whether the man will be buried at sea or taken ashore. Two sick refugees, a 43-year-old man and a baby girl, were also airlifted to hospital before dawn Tuesday, bringing to 19 the number who have needed medical attention.

Meanwhile, off Manila, the captain of another refugee ship, the "Tung An", said Tuesday many of the 2,300 boat people crammed on its deck and in its cargo holds would jump into Manila Bay rather than return to the high seas aboard the rusting freighter.

Those who did not would take the risk of suffocation inside the steaming stinking cargo holds, said Captain Shou Dah Shing.

President Marcos' government has refused to allow the Vietnamese, almost all ethnic Chinese, to land because of overcrowding in the Philippines' main refugee center.

The government has given food, medicine and water since the ship arrived on Dec. 27, but over the weekend acting Foreign Minister Jose Bu Inges said the ship would have to sail on.

In Hong Kong, the only help in sight for those aboard the "Huey Fong" appeared to be an offer made last week by the mayor of Frankfurt, who said the German city would take 250 of the refugees.

Mayor Walter Wallman said at the time that a city official would be sent to Hong Kong to select refugees and deal with

formalities, but Tuesday a West German consulate official said, "Up to now we have received no instructions from our government."

The Hong Kong authorities appreciated Frankfurt's offer but have said that assistance in resettling the boat people already waiting in line here for a new life would be more helpful and fair.

With no apparent chance of the Hong Kong authorities wavering, the refugees face a long, lonely wait at sea. They appear now to have one hope — enough Western sympathy for their plight will build up so that they can find a new home elsewhere.

The captain of the "Huey Fong" asked Hong Kong authorities Tuesday to contact the governments of the United States, Canada and France with a request to accept the 2,700 Vietnamese refugees packed on board the vessel.

Captain Shu Wen-shin also asked that the Hong Kong government allow the refugees to land in this British Colony in the meantime.

The Hong Kong government disclosed this after a meeting with the captain on board a Royal Navy vessel following the refugee's death.

A government spokesman said it was explained to the captain that there were already more than enough refugees from Vietnam in Hong Kong waiting to be resettled overseas.

He was told the Hong Kong government could not speak on behalf of the authorities in Taiwan.

Shu was airlifted from the "Huey Fong" by a helicopter and was accompanied by two nurses for the one-hour meeting.

Russia sends cult money back to Guyana officials

GEORGETOWN, Guyana, Jan. 2 (AP) — The Soviet embassy gave the Guyanese government \$7,000 Guyanese dollars it received from a member of the Peoples Temple, a Guyana government official has confirmed.

The sum is worth about \$34,800 at current exchange rates. The official said the packet also contained two American dollars.

He said the Soviets handed over the money Dec. 8 to officials of the protocol division of Guyana's foreign ministry.

According to official sources,

Rose Bowl unscathed by minor earthquake

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2 (AP) — An earthquake was nationally televised as it shook a five-county area Monday in southern California during the Rose Bowl game in Pasadena. Authorities reported no injuries or damage. The quake measured 4.6 on the Richter Scale.

There were more than 105,000 people at the Rose Bowl game between Michigan and Southern California, which was on national television, but the tremor went undetected by most and play was not affected. (See Rose Bowl story, page seven.)

The tremor, at 3:14 p.m., was centered in Santa Monica Bay, said officials at the Seismology Laboratory at the California Institute of Technology. It reached from San Diego in the south into Ventura County, 120 kilometers north, and was felt in San Diego, Los Angeles and Ventura Counties along the coast and as far east as San Bernardino and Riverside Counties, 120 kilometers inland.

Across the world in Soviet central Asia, an earthquake shook areas of the Republic of Tadzhikistan early Tuesday. Tass reported, causing no damage.

The Soviet news agency said the quake, which occurred at 12:30 a.m. Moscow time, was centered in the Tadzhik capital of Dushanbe.

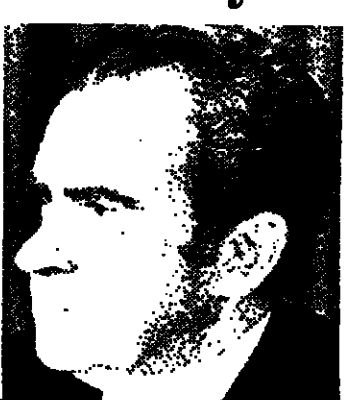
'Unprincipled'

Soviets rewrite history on Nixon

MOSCOW, Jan. 2 (R) — A Soviet foreign affairs weekly has described former President Richard Nixon as "an unprincipled politician" who supported détente only to win a second term in the White House.

The weekly, "Za Rubezhom" (Road), delivered its verdict Monday in an introduction to extracts from Nixon's memoirs on the Watergate scandal which toppled him — but which was virtually ignored at the time by the Soviet press.

In an article after the extracts, the weekly said they revealed Nixon "despite all his efforts to whitewash himself



Richard Nixon

... as a political plotter enmeshed in lies and intrigue."

The trend of Moscow articles, even after his resignation in 1974, was to show that the former president, who had

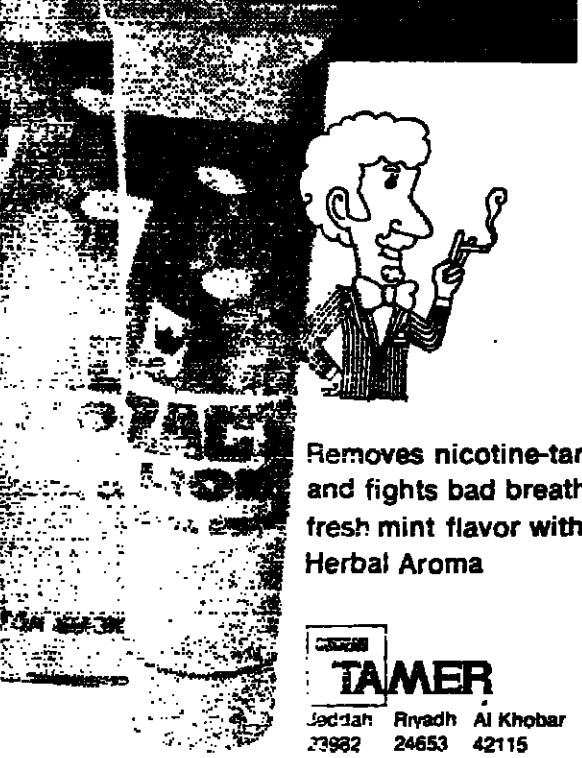
developed a friendly relationship with Kremlin leader Leonid Brezhnev, was a "realistic politician" who had been toppled as a result of a plot by enemies of détente.

The "Za Rubezhom" commentary contained an echo of that line but said Nixon's support for better relations with Moscow was hypocritical because he had "built his entire political career and uncontrollable drive for power on fierce attacks on communism and the Soviet Union."

When he reached the office of president, he upset "the real rulers of America" who put him in the presidential chair, the journal said.

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'REMAINING HURDLES'

The "important" political statement promised by the Egyptian government today will only be important if it announces the end of negotiations with Israel and rejection of all Israeli conditions for resumption of the talks. The Cairo media describes every official statement as "important" but only a few have a justifiable claim to importance, and the ending of direct negotiations with Israel will have one. Israel had made it absolutely clear that it will not change its position on withdrawal from the occupied territories and the text and interpretation of Article Six in the proposed peace treaty which gives the treaty priority over Egypt's Arab commitments. This being the case there does not seem to be any good reason to resume the talks.

But for unknown reasons, Egypt has not given up hope. A senior Egyptian negotiator said in a newspaper interview this week that the talks had not hit the end of the road yet and that more contacts were necessary to overcome the remaining hurdles. The "remaining hurdles" have been the only hurdles of substance all along and unless — and if — they are eliminated there is no use talking about the settled 90 per cent of the issues because their settlement has never been the subject of much doubt anyway.

Only the termination of the negotiations process will allow the opening of a new leaf in relations between Egypt and the opposing Arab countries. The dispute since the Baghdad summit conference has not been personal but rather over substance. The other Arab states have warned from the start that the Camp David formula and the resulting negotiations in Washington will not achieve the basic minimum of Arab demands. Egypt has insisted that negotiations can lead to a successful conclusion. Events of the past few weeks have underlined that a government headed by Menahem Begin will not help the achievement of a just, lasting and honorable peace in the Middle East. But while the suspicions of the other Arab states have now been confirmed beyond a shred of doubt, Egypt's insistence on upholding the peace initiative has remained unchanged.

If Egypt now agrees to accept what the other Arabs have seen from the start, a basis for the restoration of Arab unity of action will have been established. This would open the way for another Arab summit conference to agree on the "minimum" Arab demands that all the other Arabs can support. Even in the absence of Egypt, the Baghdad summit has been able to avoid extremist positions and should Egypt return to the fold, the possibility of working out a position and strategy that would not alienate the Washington administration should be very good. Even the Palestine Liberation Organization has been showing moderation in recent weeks and the National Council meeting in Damascus in less than a fortnight will confirm this trend. The Palestinians are seriously talking about creating a government-in-exile to help the Washington administration in overcoming the complex of dealing with the PLO. Jordan is also expected to play a more positive role in representing the Palestinians and helping the PLO in exercising this representation.

Leaving Iran

By Thomas Kent

TEHRAN — Sprawled on airport benches and on the floor, waiting for long-delayed flights, foreign residents trying to leave Iran said they feared for their personal safety if they remained in the country.

Walkways by airport employees threw air schedules into confusion. Parts of the passenger terminal were closed down, and travelers waited outside the building or in crowded ticketing areas for news of their flights.

Several foreign embassies warned Sunday that citizens without essential business in Iran should get out of the country as soon as possible. "I decided no job was worth my life," Ted Ellerbee, a 41-year-old mechanic from Fairfield, California, said as he waited for a delayed Pan American flight. Ellerbee was part of a group of U.S. employees of Bell Helicopter International who gave up their jobs Sunday at a helicopter plant in Isfahan, 420 kilometers south of Tehran, and traveled all night by bus to Tehran airport.

Isfahan has been a center of violent demonstrations against the reign of the Shah.

Ellerbee, a U.S. Air Force mechanic for 22 years, said he could hear gunfire every night

in Isfahan, mail and phone service were interrupted by the strikes and disorders and Bell employees suffered a number of anti-American incidents. He said he was spat on once by demonstrators.

Varianne Cogswell of Mineral Wells, Texas, the wife of a Bell Helicopter pilot instructor, said living conditions in Isfahan were deteriorating rapidly.

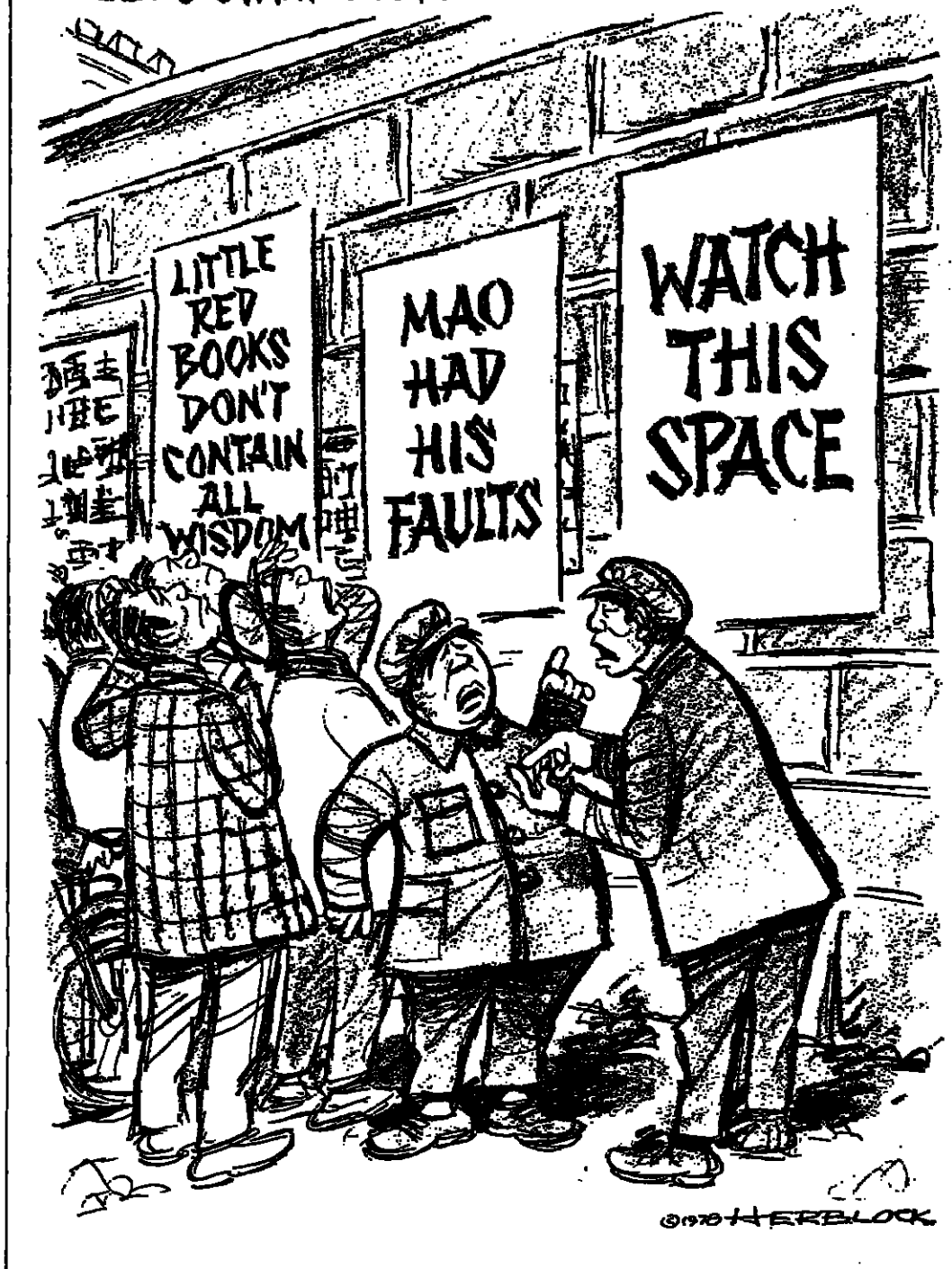
"The lights were going off every night, water was going off and there weren't any new groceries coming into the stores," she said. Identifying herself smilingly as a "devout coward," she said she barely left her house during the disorders.

Bell technical inspector John Shea of Colorado Springs, Colorado, said he had two rocks thrown at his back after one Isfahan demonstration, and that youths on motorcycles played at pretending to run him down.

Members of the Bell group displayed crudely printed leaflets, beginning "cursed Yonky" and condemning "U.S. imperialism," that had been thrust into their cars by demonstrators.

In a display of grim humor, Bell employees ordered T-shirts emblazoned "stay and die with BHI" (Bell Helicopters International) and "keep a low profile." Both were decorated with imitation bullet holes. — (AP)

"LET'S START OVER — HUA'S ON FIRST?"



Chinese low-profile in U.S.

By George Gedda

WASHINGTON — "What section of the liaison office do you work in?" an American asked a Chinese diplomat at an embassy reception. "I am an official," the diplomat replied.

After an embarrassed silence, the American excused himself and drifted away in search of someone more informative to converse with.

Moments later, the six Chinese at the reception all left together, with the highest-ranking diplomat out the door first, followed by the rest, all in order of their rank.

"They always do that, both when they come in and when they leave," remarked a Western diplomat. "They never deviate from the pecking order. For a supposed classless society, they do some strange things."

Discipline, control, regimentation. These are the words frequently used by those most familiar with Chinese diplomacy since Peking opened its mission here five years ago.

There has not been an easy exchange of information between the Chinese envoys and U.S. officials. Some American diplomats, for example, hesitate to ask a newly arrived Chinese about his family life for fear he may take offense.

Most also refrain from asking a Chinese about his assignment here. For that answer, the Americans must rely on accumulated impressions. If a Chinese second secretary, for example, shows up for three consecutive meetings on Sino-

American trade matters, the Americans then conclude that his specialty is trade.

Now that the barrier to normal relations has been overcome, diplomats here are wondering whether the Chinese will loosen up. "We should have the answer to that by next summer," said one observer.

The Chinese language is given as one reason for the introverted behavior of the officials. Peking has sent here. One specialist in the language said it is almost impossible to communicate in Chinese without conveying an opinion because there are so few neutral words.

Chinese history also plays a role. Such Western concepts as free speech and democracy are considered luxuries by the Chinese. A nation that suffered widespread hunger as well as invasion and exploitation by foreigners attaches importance to stability, security and enough food for the masses. Personal freedom is thus subservient to the achievement of these common goals.

Americans tend to underestimate how nationalism has shaped the Chinese character. The way Chinese see themselves perhaps best expressed by the word "China," which translates to "center country." In other words, all other countries are at the periphery.

With Chinese sensibilities easily ruffled, the Americans who deal with them must take unusual precautions. There have been embarrassments.

A few years ago, the U.S. Passport Office sent a memo to

all foreign missions in Washington seeking certain information.

The memo contained references to all diplomatic offices here, including Taiwan's. The Chinese liaison office quickly returned the memo without providing the information asked for because of the reference to Taiwan. An accompanying nasty note stated that the memo demonstrated the United States was pursuing a two-China policy.

The Chinese have gone to some lengths to insulate the more than 100 employees of the mission from exposure to Americans.

All except the head of the liaison office, Chai Tse-min, live, work and eat at the mission. Chai, who previously served as ambassador to Hungary, Egypt, Guinea and Thailand, lives in a nearby house.

Security precautions at the mission are unusually rigid. Rather than rely on American labor, the mission has workers flown in from China for most repair jobs.

Chinese diplomats virtually never are seen alone around town. So recreation, group outings at area amusement parks are favored.

One China-watcher said it was his impression that the Chinese are almost as guarded with each other as they are with Americans.

"With all the flip-flops over the years, the Cultural Revolution and the counter-Cultural Revolution and other shifts, the Chinese keep their thoughts to themselves," he said — (AP)

Carter's defense legislation

By Pat Towell

WASHINGTON — At first glance 1978 was a good year for President Carter in defense legislation.

Both the House and the Senate rejected decisively several moves to raise or lower the Defense Department's budget recommendations. And by unexpectedly large margins, Congress supported Carter's position on the year's two major battles over new weapons: the B-1 bomber and a fifth nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, both opposed by the president.

But some other important policy battles were not fought during the year, particularly those on a new Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty with the Soviet Union and on Carter's plan to withdraw all U.S. ground forces from South Korea. In each case the president stayed his hand, at least in part for fear of vehement congressional opposition.

Where Carter succeeded, he did so by committing his administration unconditionally to continued growth in Pentagon spending.

He based his opposition to the bomber and the carrier on the argument that each would be less effective than other weapons programs: the cruise missile — which is still in the development stage — and smaller, but more numerous, warships.

Congress generally handled defense issues in 1978 the same way they had been handled in the previous four years — the period since the October 1973 Middle East War.

For all the rhetoric about a reassertion of the congressional role in foreign policy decisions, Congress continued to show a strong tendency to defer to the commander-in-chief on the details of military policy.

This presidential flexibility, however, appeared to be contingent on Carter's heaving to a fairly narrow path that depended on a real annual increase in the Defense Department's budget, modernization of Army and Air Force equipment in Western Europe and modernization of the U.S. strategic weapons arsenal.

Deferred at least until 1979 was a resolution of the dilemma that would confront both Carter and Congress as the modernization programs move into full swing and begin to cost substantial sums of money.

A president who was committed to balancing the federal budget and a Congress elected in the year of a taxpayers' revolt would have to reconcile their fiscal conservatism with new programs that would be extremely costly, even by the Pentagon's standards.

And in the last weeks of 1978, Carter was severely criticized by liberal Democrats, many of whom long had been suspicious that he lacked sympathy with the party's traditional support of domestic welfare programs.

At issue was Carter's reported decision to allow the Pentagon's budget for fiscal 1980 to grow by three percent, after taking into account the cost of inflation. Major domestic programs, on the other hand, reportedly were to be severely constrained to keep the total federal budget deficit under \$30 billion.

When the 95th Congress final-

ly went home in mid-October, it became apparent that Congress, during fiscal 1979, would appropriate essentially the amount (\$126 billion) the administration requested for national defense for the year.

Through most of the year, Republicans and other conservative groups had bet heavily that Carter would be vulnerable to hard-line attacks on his defense policies.

But during 1978 Moscow toned down some of the policies that had vividly conjured up the image of Soviet imperialism on the march, such as its harsh crackdown on Soviet dissidents and its military assistance to Ethiopia in that country's border war with Somalia.

Carter also scored important points in the skirmishing over the size of the budget by pledging his administration to the three percent defense growth rate. He also had presented the budget as a strong boost for the U.S. forces committed to NATO.

While hard-line critics charged that both claims were debatable, the administration stood by its position. Desperate to show their eagerness to hold down federal spending without jeopardizing important pork-barrel projects, most members found it comfortable to take Carter's claims at face value.

Carter's position also was buttressed by the fact that many of the weapons with which the hard-liners were most concerned could not have absorbed significant funding increases in any case during fiscal 1979.

An effort by some members of the Senate Armed Services Committee to increase funds for development of a new intercontinental missile called M-X collapsed in May because the Air Force had not yet decided how the new missile would be protected against the large arsenal of increasingly accurate Soviet missiles.

Several important Army programs — a new tank, two new anti-aircraft missiles, a new armored troop carrier, two new helicopters — all had been delayed at various points in their development cycle during the 1970s. As a result, these weapons had not yet entered production or were just beginning production at a relatively slow pace.

Long drawn out disputes between the Navy and three of its largest shipbuilders over some \$2 billion worth of contract claims left a general impression — even among some members who could be counted on to support a much larger shipbuilding program — that the Navy just couldn't absorb more money until it straightened out its management of ship construction programs.

The upshot was that both houses rejected by large margins proposals that would have increased or decreased the defense spending ceiling from the amounts recommended by congressional committees. By the time each house acted on the defense appropriations bill, the anti-tax mood in the country, symbolized by California's "Proposition 13," was in full flight. But the few attempts to cut the bill did not present any serious threat.

A Senate amendment that would have cut the budget re-

quest by a symbolic \$1 billion received a mere 11 votes.

Carter beat the supporters of the B-1 and the nuclear carrier by unexpectedly large margins. And in each case the House, in backing the president, reversed at least one previous vote in favor of the new weapon.

In each case, Carter insisted that he was opposing a weapon whose time had passed in order to invest in other projects that would do the same job more effectively. While the immediate effect was to kill a proposed defense expenditure, the promised alternatives would eventually cost about as much as the weapons they were to replace.

The long crusade against the B-1 had laid heavy emphasis on the plane's \$100 million-a-copy price tag. But Carter and Defense Secretary Harold Brown based their decision to go with the cruise missile instead of the B-1 on the former's promise of greater effectiveness against Soviet air defenses.

Carter's strategy was even more clear in the White House's efforts to get Congress to sustain its veto of the \$2 billion aircraft carrier.

At the insistence of the House Democratic leadership, he stressed that his purpose was not to cut the money from the budget, but rather to spend it on "higher priority" defense projects that would more directly beef up NATO's capability to defend Western Europe. And he unequivocally committed himself to requesting a slightly less expensive, non-nuclear carrier in 1979.

Despite sophisticated arguments that tried to justify their role in future U.S. strategy, the bomber and the carrier were subjected to heavy criticism as symbols of military obsolescence.

With the end of the Vietnam War, the B-1 had become the surrogate target for critics of Pentagon spending. Capitalizing on the plane's price tag of \$100 million-a-copy and its failure to meet some of the more extravagant design goals for it, critics ridiculed the plane as a plaything for generals. An energetic anti-B-1 lobby bombarded the press and members of Congress with arguments against production of the plane.

But the same themes attracted liberals who were critical of the Pentagon's share of the federal budget and of its presumed influence on U.S. foreign policy: the ship was extremely expensive — \$2 billion, without its deckload of planes — and opponents painted images of bearded admirals swaggering around the quarterdeck to no real purpose.

Other expensive weapons had faced such attacks in the previous decade, but what sealed the doom of the B-1 and the carrier was the skepticism of many members who were not usually inclined to cut Pentagon programs.

House Appropriations Committee chairman George Mahon, D-Texas, apparently spoke for many members when he said, in opposition to both the bomber and the carrier, that the weapon of the future clearly was the intercontinental missile. Neither the bomber nor the carrier would play more than a marginal role in any conflict with the Soviet Union, according to Mahon. (CQ)

tical stability, economic prosperity and cultural advancement," the writer said.

Referring to the recent statement by the information minister, in which he denied press

reports that Saudi Arabia was seeking an Arab summit, "Al-Riyadh" said the Saudi government "vehemently adheres to the resolutions of Arab summit conferences. Saudi policy is always clear and in the ser-

vice of national issues and is in no way prejudice towards a particular party.

"Our aim is to consolidate Arab unity and work to repair any damage," the paper said.

saudi press review

"Al-Bilad" tackled what it thought would be two important developments in the Middle East:

— The possibility of forming a Palestinian government-in-exile, probably in the middle of next month.

— This would lend the PLO greater international prestige and a more definite identity.

— The reported willingness of both the PLO and the United States to enter into a dialogue which could lead to American recognition of the PLO "now that it is clear that unless the Palestinian question is solved, the Middle East problem will defy an easy solution."

According to the paper, the peace talks — between Egypt, the United States, and Israel — "may have been intentionally stalled to add another dimension to them — that of the Palestinian issue so that a just and comprehensive solution may be arrived at in the region. Hence, we may expect a few political surprises that

would in turn reflect positive developments in the situation."

In a critical column on Saudi — the national carrier — "Okaz" lambasted the airline for what it said was a "serious case of inefficiency." The writer said he had requested a reservation on a certain flight to Europe but was told that according to the computer the flight was fully booked as was the next flight.

But after mentioning the matter to a friend, the latter assured him of a seat and he went on the flight he had originally requested. To his amazement, he found nearly half the seats on the plane unoccupied despite the computer operator's claims that it was booked solid. "No wonder," the writer said, "that Saudia loses so much money."

He was not sure, he said, whether it was "a deliberate plan to cause such losses, or whether it was negligence or plain inefficiency."

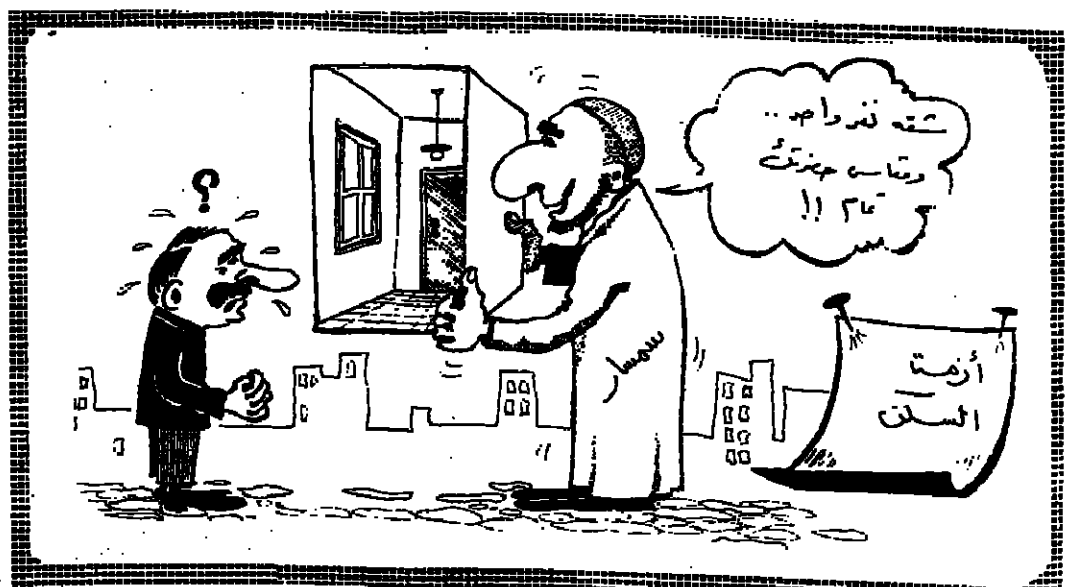
"Okaz" also dealt with the

issue of a Palestinian government in exile and said that the concept "forms a landmark in the history of the Palestinian struggle which we hope will lead to a Palestinian state and the restitution of the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people."

"Al-Medina" referred to the Shah of Iran's previous attempts to snuff out the influence of Muslim leaders in the country. It said that the Shah "had taken umbrage at attempts by Pakistan's President Zia-ul-Haq to apply Islamic jurisprudence in the country and he expressed his dissatisfaction to him personally."

The writer reached the conclusion that in Islamic countries "nothing short of a full application of Islamic Sharia will do for the Muslim masses. To them, the Sharia is the right to self-determination and no measure of foreign ideology or systems will do."

"Islam is the only path to unite the masses, achieve poli-



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Penn State beaten

Alabama, Trojans in title contention

NEW YORK, Jan. 2 (AP) — Second-ranked Alabama beat top-ranked Penn State in the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans Monday to put in a strong claim for college football's national championship, but third-ranked Southern California made a bid as well with a victory in the Rose Bowl.

Alabama topped hitherto unbeaten Penn State, 14-7, on an eight-yard touchdown run by Major Ogilvie with 21 seconds left in the third quarter. Then with seven minutes left in the game and Penn State just one yard away from a touchdown, the underrated Crimson Tide defense twice stopped running backs from scoring.

The Trojans paced by quarterback Paul McDonald and all-American halfback Charles White, maintained the West's Rose Bowl mastery Monday with a 17-10 victory over Michigan in a game punctuated by an earthquake.

A tremor, a relatively minor quake with an epicenter in the Pacific Ocean about 40 kilometers west of the Bowl, took place just before halftime but did not interrupt play or bother the 105,629 spectators.

McDonald passed 9 yards to Hovy Brenner for one touchdown and White ran 3 yards for the other on a controversial play as the Pac-10 beat the Big Ten a fifth straight year. Frank Jordan added a 35-yard field goal for Southern Cal.

The results gave Alabama and Southern Cal the best shot at the top ranking in the Associated Press poll, to be released Wednesday. Southern Cal defeated Alabama earlier in the season.

Penn State	0	0	7	0-7
Alabama	0	7	7	0-14
Michigan	0	3	7	0-10
Southern Cal	7	10	0	0-17

Orange Bowl

Sooners avenge loss to Cornhuskers, 31-24

MIAMI, Florida, Jan. 2 (AP) — Heisman Trophy winner Billy Sims and quarterback Thomas Lott each scored two touchdowns Monday night as fourth-ranked Oklahoma defeated Big Eight arch-rival Nebraska, 31-24, in the Orange Bowl.

The Sooners, avenging their only defeat of the season at Nebraska on Nov. 11, erupted for two touchdowns and a field goal on their first three possessions of the second half to open a 31-10 lead and survived a fourth-quarter rally by the Cornhuskers.

Sixth-ranked Nebraska, 9-3, cut the margin to 31-17 with 9:12 remaining, then recovered a fumble at the Oklahoma 42 but failed to sustain a drive on a fourth-and-one at the Oklahoma 7. The Cornhuskers scored on the final play through Junior Miller.

Sims scored on runs of 2 and 11 yards and totaled 84 yards on 24 carries. He had lost two critical fumbles in Nebraska territory in the fourth quarter of their Big Eight conference regular-season confrontation, which the Cornhuskers won 17-14.

Lott scored on runs of 3 and 2 yards as he rushed for 74 yards and passed for another 46. He engineered touchdown drives of 69, 73, 70 and 60 yards.

Oklahoma's other score came on a 26-yard field goal by Uwe von Schamann after a fumble and interception on the Nebraska 27.

Oklahoma	7	7	17	0-31
Nebraska	7	0	3	14-24

Cotton Bowl

4th-quarter Irish blitz smites Cougars, 35-34

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 2 (AP) — Notre Dame quarterback Joe Montana completed an 8-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver Kris Haines as time ran out Monday, and Joe Unis kicked the vital extra point to give the Fighting Irish an incredible 35-34 comeback victory over the stunned Houston Cougars in the Cotton Bowl.

Unis had to kick the extra point twice because the Irish were penalized for illegal procedure the first time.

Montana, who left the game at one point in the second half because he was ill with flu, led a 21-point Irish outburst in the fourth quarter.

On fourth down at the Houston 29, defensive tackle Mike Calhoun stopped Cougars running back Emmett King cold with 28 seconds to go.

Montana scrambled 12 yards, then passed to Haines, who stepped out of bounds on the Cougar 8. A pass misfired, then Haines made his acrobatic catch in the right corner of the end zone.

Notre Dame	12	0	0	23-35
Houston	7	13	14	0-34



DELIGHT: Australian bowler Rodney Hogg throws up his arms in delight as Graham Gooch heads back to the pavilion after being caught lbw on a Hogg off-cutter. Hogg took 3 for 35 Tuesday and has now taken 25 wickets in the Ashes series.

Vilas to meet Marks in Aussie Open final

MELBOURNE, Jan. 2 (AP) — Australian John Marks ousted Arthur Ashe Tuesday to move into the \$300,000 Australian open final.

Marks defeated Ashe in a marathon center court semifinal battle, 6-4, 6-2, 2-6, 1-6, 9-7. Both players received a standing ovation from the crowd of 120,000 after their 3-hour, 40-minute struggle.

Marks, 26, an electrical engineering graduate, will meet top-seed Guillermo Vilas of Argentina in the final. Vilas coasted past injured American Hank Pfister 6-2, 6-2, 6-3 in the other semifinal.

Marks warmed up for his semifinals by shooting starlings with an air rifle.

For the third time in the tournament, Ashe seemed headed for a five-set win when he wiped out a two-set deficit by racing through the third and fourth sets with the loss of only three games.

Marks finally held serve in the 15th game to take an 8-7 lead. He reached his first match point with a forehand down the line for 40-30 and clinched victory when another vicious top-spin forehand return forced Ashe to volley into the net.

In the women's events, American Betsy Nagelsen, 22, took just over an hour to surge into the final Monday when she powered Australian Chris Masterson, 7-5, 6-4, in the semifinals.

Australia's Chris O'Neill took even less time to crush local player Dianne Evers, 6-0, 6-3, and will meet Nagelsen in the final Wednesday.

Nagelsen has not won a tournament since April 1977. She upset second-seed Renata Tomanova of Czechoslovakia Sunday, while Evers shocked top-seeded Briton Sue Barker in the quarterfinals.

Ruzici beaten

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (AP) — Unseeded Renee Richards, 44, making her first appearance since undergoing surgery on her left foot in September, upset No. 6 seed Virginia Ruzici 5-7, 6-4, 7-5 Monday in the opening round of the \$125,000 Washington stop of the women's pro tennis tour.

In the only other match in-

Son to repeat Hillary's climb

AUCKLAND, New Zealand, Jan. 2 (AP) — Peter Hillary, the 24-year-old ski instructor son of Everest conqueror Sir Edmund Hillary, will shortly follow in his father's footsteps. He has been given permission by the Nepalese government to lead a New Zealand expedition of three mountaineers in an attempt to climb Mount Amadablam in the Himalayas later this year.

Sir Edmund climbed the 6,750-meter mountain in 1962 but other attempts have failed.

volving a seeded player, No. 4 Diane Fromholtz of Australia won by default when Joanne Russell had to retire because of an injury to her right ankle and heel, a recurrent problem.

By David Smith
JEDDAH, Jan. 2—Riyadh's Al-Hilal club move into a clear lead at the top of the Saudi Premier Division in Riyadh Tuesday night with a narrow 1-0 defeat of Al-Riyadh.

Riyadh, promoted to the division this season, held on until the last minute when Nagi Abdullah Mathub netted to put Hilal one point ahead of Nasr.

In the other game Tuesday night in Dammam, Al-Kadasia defeated Al-Atayi, 2-1.

Al-Itihad maintained its recent good form with an emphatic 3-1 victory over Dammam's Al-Itifaq in Jeddah Monday. This win puts Itihad into third place in the league as close rivals Al-Ahli, and Al-Wehda both dropped points.

Riyadh's Nasr level with Hilal before Monday's game was another side to lose ground as it was held to a 1-1 draw by Wehda in Jeddah.

Last year's champion Ahli had a disappointing 0-0 draw with lowly Al-Nahda in Dammam and coach Didl must be hoping that the return of striker Amin Daboo for Thursday's match with Nasr will improve the side's performance.

Jeddah's rapidly improving Al-Itihad scored its third consecutive 3-1 victory as it dismissed the challenge of Itifaq.

The hero was Saudi international striker Issa Hamdan who scored a hat-trick to add to his counter against Ahli Friday. With Tunisian midfielder Ghammaid in good form in the center of the field, Hamdan was given the chance to show the scoring power which brought him goals against Liverpool and Spurs for Saudi Arabia earlier this season.

Despite the presence of four Saudi internationals in the Itifaq ranks the Dammam side was never a threat to a confident Itihad and it was a surprise that the Jeddah team was only one goal ahead at half-time. Hamdan's se-

England tumbles to hopeless 171 for eight

MELBOURNE, Jan. 2 (AP) — Australia has the third Test within its grasp after an amazing day's cricket at the Melbourne Cricket Ground Tuesday.

Australia needs to take only two England wickets Wednesday to secure its first win in the series and keep the battle for the Ashes alive.

At Stumps on the fourth day England was in diabolical trouble at 171 for eight, still 111 runs behind with only tailenders Bob Willis and Mike Hendrick to come.

The best England could hope for would be a draw, highly unlikely despite Melbourne's fickle weather.

Captain Mike Brearley could not in his wildest dreams, expect the likes of Willis, Hendrick and John Emburey (2 not out) to hold out for six hours Wednesday.

Australian captain Graham Yallop had set England a target of 283 to win in 12 hours less 38 minutes, a tall but not impossible order in the fourth innings of a Test match.

England, in chasing this target lost its eight wickets in a day where 11 wickets fell for only 175. Australia resumed this morning at 163 for seven and was dismissed after adding only four runs in 28 minutes.

England began its innings at 11:38 a.m.

Disaster struck only seven minutes later as Brearley went for a duck caught at the wicket by John MacLean in seamer Geoff Dymock's first over. He had fallen to an Australian trick. Dymock was used to open in preference to Alan Hurst in an effort to tempt Brearley outside the off stump.

Further disaster beset the Englishmen at six when Derek Randall, again shuffling across his crease, was trapped lbw on the third ball of Rodney Hogg's second over.

England had lost two wickets in six deliveries, but a series of fighting partnerships almost turned Australian joy to gloom.

A third wicket stand of 65 in 97 minutes between Geoff Boycott and Graham Gooch looked to have steadied the collapse.

At 71, Gooch was beaten by an off-cutter from Hogg to be trapped lbw for a well-made 40. Then Boycott and youngster David Gower took the score to 122 before Boycott was trapped leg before to Hurst — one of four such decisions in the innings so far.

Boycott in his innings Tuesday showed his great experience. He preferred to give the

strike to the menacing Gower who made more than half of the 51 they had put on for the fourth wicket.

Ian Botham joined Gower and they began to look dangerous and Yallop admitted after stumps Tuesday that he was worried during their 41-run partnership.

But once Botham had departed for 10 at 163 the inning fell apart. Three batsmen followed Botham in quick succession.

Gower was lbw to Dymock for 49 at 163. Geoff Miller

was caught at short leg off Jim Higgs at 167 and Bob Taylor gave MacLean his third catch of the innings at 171.

England had lost its last four wickets for eight runs in 72 balls.

Spinner Jim Higgs, who took 2-29, was a little astray although he did get several deliveries to turn sharply.

Australia's bowlers were once again spearheaded by Hogg who finished with 3-35 off 14.6 overs. Hogg has now taken 25 wickets in the series so far.

To break record

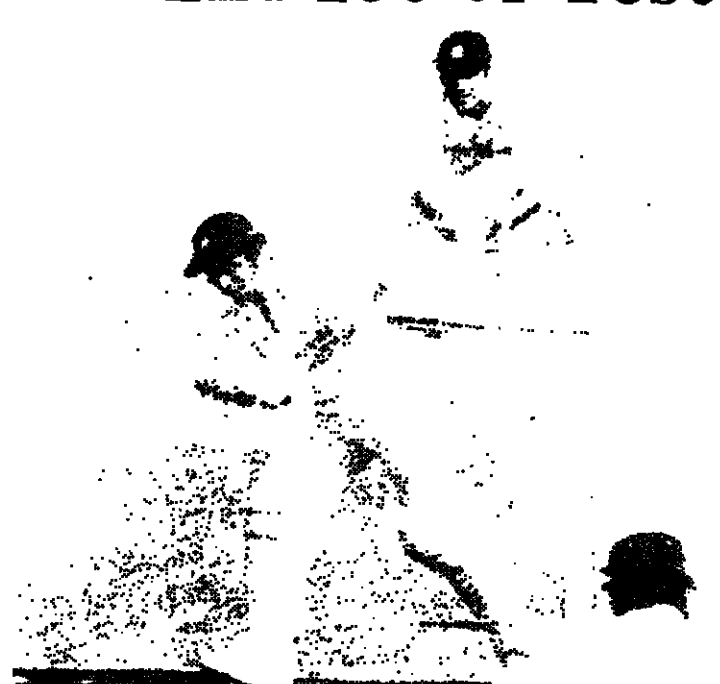
Gavaskar hits 2nd 100 of Test

CALCUTTA, Jan. 2 (AP) — India's captain Sunil Gavaskar hit an unbeaten 182 in the third Test against the West Indies Tuesday and became the first batsman to score a century in both innings of a Test three times.

In a thrilling display of powerful batting, the 29-year-old Gavaskar ripped the bowling apart to plunder runs at will. Partnered by Dilip Vengsarkar, he put on 344 runs for the unfinished second wicket.

Tuesday's innings was the latest in a series of prolific scores by the stocky Indian skipper who made 205 and 73 in the first Test in December. He failed in the second Test and was out for no score. But in the third, he came into his own with 107 in the first innings followed up his knock in the second.

Gavaskar had earlier scored "doubles" against the West Indies at Port of Spain 'n 1971 and against Pakistan in the Karachi Test last month. The previous record of four centuries in two Test matches was shared by Gavaskar and England's Ken Barrington.



RECORD: Indian skipper and opening batsman Sunil Gavaskar hit an unbeaten 182 Tuesday and declared on 344 with only one wicket lost.

Australia's legendary Don Bradman and Sir Garfield Sobers of the West Indies have achieved the distinction only once.

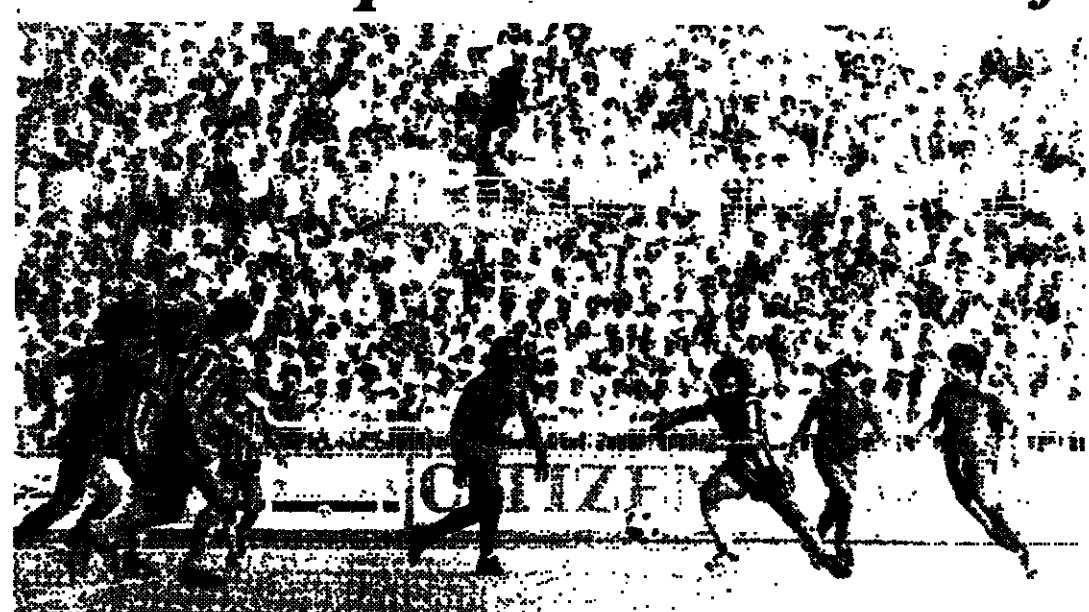
Vengsarkar kept pace with his skipper and reached his

maiden Test century with a cut off Vamrun Holder. He scored an unbeaten 157.

Scores: India 300 and 361 for one declared. West Indies 327.

With last-minute goal

Hilal moves one point clear at head of table



BREAKAWAY: Itihad's striker Issa Hamdan, sporting a new beard, breaks away from a clutch of Itifaq players on

cond goal shortly after the interval sealed Itifaq's fate and the tall and newly bearded striker completed his hat-trick before an own goal gave Itifaq a late consolation.

Nasr found Mecca's Wehda to be tough opponents in a hard-fought match in Jeddah Monday evening. Moroccan striker Bakkar opened the scoring for Wehda after only 5 minutes and, with fellow forward Shagrun gave the Nasr defence some anxious moments.

Wehda proved last season that it is a difficult side to beat, but lack of scoring power was its downfall. With the acquisition of Bakkar and Shagrun in the close season, the Mecca side has added the ability to score goals to a tight defense and hard working midfield.

It was this determination to chase and fight for every ball that enabled Wehda to hold onto its' one goal lead until half-time despite heavy pressure from the Nasr forwards.

The best chance of the half fell to Shagrun when he moved onto a long clearance as rebounded into the Nasr penalty area but his narrow was inches wide of the post as he collided with goalkeeper Mabruk and had to be helped from the field with an arm injury.

foot shot for his sixth goal of the season.

In the end both sides were probably content to settle for a draw and one point from this hard-bruising battle.

Standings

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Al-Hilal	8	5	3	0	21	11	13
Al-Nasr	8	4	4	0	21	8	12
Al-Itihad	8	5	0	3	14	12	10
Al-Ahli	8	3	3	2	18	12	9
Al-Wehda	8	4	1	3	12	11	9
Al-Itifaq	8	3	2	3	10	15	8
Al-Nahda	8	2	2	4	9	13	6
Al-Atayi	8	2	1	5	8	16	5
Al-Kadasia	8	2	1	5	7	13	5
Al-Riyadh	8	1	1	6	7	17	3

Results
Hilal 1, Riyadh 0
Kadasia 2, Atayi 1

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To aid modernization

China said seeking \$36b Japan loan

TOKYO, Jan. 2 (AP) — Sources close to the Japanese government say China has asked unofficially if Japan could provide it with 7,000 billion yen (\$35.9 billion) in economic cooperation, the newspaper "Yomiuri" said Tuesday.

"Yomiuri" said the sources added some of the details would be spelled out when Chinese Vice-Foreign Trade Minister Liu Hsi-wen visits Japan in February to negotiate an extension of the Japan-China long-term trade agreement.

The paper said Japan's biggest government loan so far has been 750 billion yen (\$3.8 billion) over 15 years to Indonesia.

It said the loan requested for China, which lacks hard currency, would require setting up a special semi-governmental body because the government and the private sector would have to cooperate in the matter.

"Yomiuri" said China, estimated to need \$600 billion by 1985 for its all-out modernization drive, has hinted at irritation with what it considers Japan's slow pace in setting up the machinery for economic

cooperation with China.

Nearly one year ago, Japan and China concluded a trade agreement envisaging two-way trade of 20 billion over eight years, with Japan importing Chinese oil and coal while supplying China with industrial equipment.

Adding trade not covered by the agreement, the eight-year figure would come to around

\$40 billion, and China has called for doubling the size of the agreement.

U.S.-China trade, meanwhile, is expected to exceed \$1 billion in 1978 and rise to perhaps \$3 billion by 1981.

China and the United States have scheduled trade talks in Washington beginning Jan. 22, the White House announced Tuesday.

The talks are a continuation of discussions on textile trade which began in August. Both nations are attempting to establish an orderly growth pattern for Chinese textile exports to the United States.

The trade negotiations will precede the visit of Chinese Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-ping later this month.

Financial Times' strikes out for European, U.S. markets

LONDON, Jan. 2, (R) — Britain's financial and business daily newspaper, the "Financial Times," Tuesday launched a major bid to capture markets in Europe and the United States.

"The pink newspaper," as it is called from the color of its paper, was printed for the first time Monday night in the West German city of Frankfurt as well as in London.

The newspaper said this will enable it to reach readers much earlier in business centers in West Germany, Austria, Bel-

gium, Italy, Holland, Switzerland and Turkey, and to be on sale on New York in the morning. It will reach the West Coast before close of business on the day of publication.

Over the coming months, distribution of the Frankfurt-produced newspaper will be extended to other markets, including France, Finland, Greece, Portugal, Canada and Spain.

The newspaper's expansion, planned 18 months ago, coincides with the non-appearance of Britain's most famous news-

paper, the "Times," which has been suspended since Nov. 30 because of a dispute over new technology.

The "Financial Times," circulation is about 180,000. With high advertising rates, it is one of the few success stories in modern British journalism. In recent years it has broadened its coverage to take in wide reporting of politics, foreign news and the arts.

Most of the Frankfurt paper will consist of full page facsimile transmissions from London, but there will also be a special section for the "Financial Times" overseas readers, the newspaper said.

Monday night's print run in Frankfurt was 20,000, but this will be raised to 30,000 over the next three months.

The "Financial Times," in an article explaining the thinking behind its new project, said it hoped to attract new forms of advertising.

Eighty per cent of its revenue already comes from advertising, and between a quarter and a third of that comes from outside Britain.

U.K. may lose millions in Iran, magazine says

LONDON, Jan. 2 (R) — A London economic journal Tuesday forecast British businesses could lose millions in payments for goods exported to Iran as a result of the disorders there. "Export Direction," which claims a readership of more than 100,000 businessmen, said in a despatch from Tehran, only a small proportion of the \$68 million sterling (\$1,150 million) worth of British goods exported to Iran in the first nine months of 1978 had been paid for.

Iran crisis cuts BP oil supplies

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UPI) — British Petroleum informed all its crude oil customers Tuesday that because of the situation in Iran supplies of oil be cut by 30 to 35 per cent during the first quarter of 1979.

The company said it is seeking alternative sources of supply to help compensate for the Iranian shortfall.

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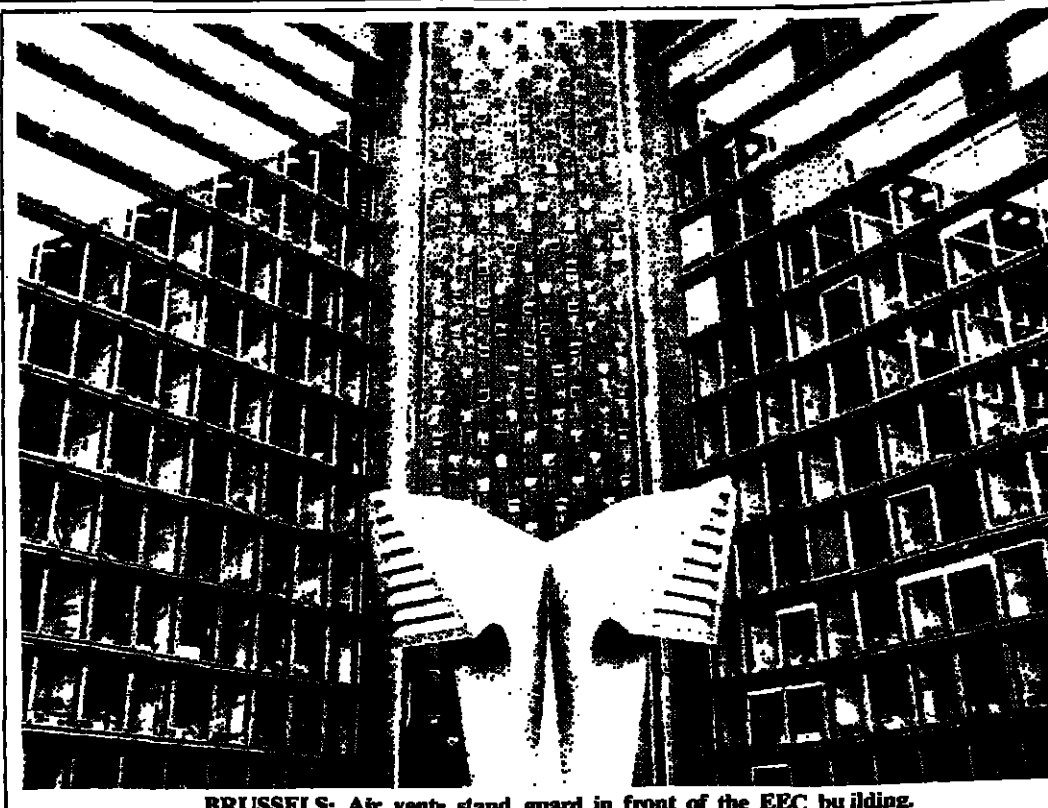
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FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Opening Tuesday	SAMA rate	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.30	3.33	3.31
Pound Sterling	6.74	6.77	6.80
Deutsche Mark (100)	1.82	182.50	183.25
Swiss F (100)	2.05	206.00	206.00
French F (100)	0.79	80.00	80.25
Italian Lira (1000)	—	4.10	4.05
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	111.00	111.00
Syrian Lira (100)	—	81.00	85.50
Egyptian Pound	—	4.50	4.77
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.30	12.25
Jordanian Dinar	—	11.40	11.32
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	87.50	86.80
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	87.50	86.80
Bahraini Dinar	—	8.75	8.68
Iranian Riyal (100)	—	46.00	46.50
Iraqi Dinar	—	9.85	—
Yemeni Riyal (100)	—	74.00	73.30
South Yemeni Dinar	—	—	—
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	79.00	86.25
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	41.25
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	34.00
Gold kg	—	24,100	—
10 Tolas bar	—	2,810	—
Silver kg bar	—	660	—
Japanese yen (100)	1.70	—	—
Canadian dollar	2.80	—	—
Belgian franc (10)	1.14	—	—
Dutch guilder	1.68	—	—
Italian Lira (100)	0.40	—	—

Cash and transfer rates supplied by Al-Rajhi Company for currency Exchange and Commerce, Cabel St., Jeddah

SAMA rates announced Tuesday in Jeddah by the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency, based on average rates on the London money market and the official price of the U.S. dollar.



BRUSSELS: Air vents stand guard in front of the EEC building.

Volume light

Dollar shaky in New Year

LONDON, Jan. 2 (AP) — The U.S. dollar opened the year by dipping sharply on European currency exchanges Tuesday, but recovered some of the loss in late trading.

Gold bullion prices rose and then dropped back below Friday's year-end quotation.

Volume was light, because of the holiday and stormy European weather, and relatively small transactions exercised a disproportionate influence on prices, dealers said.

The major financial centers of Zurich and Tokyo were closed.

Dealers in Frankfurt credited the late improvement to small-

scale central bank intervention and a general feeling that the dollar's decline last week was overdone.

The dollar's first business day showed a gain only against the pound sterling. In London sterling dipped from Friday's \$2.0440 to close at \$2.0367. The dollar lost six per cent against the pound in 1978.

Late dollar rates at other European centers, with the 1978 closing and the dollar's percentage loss for the year:

Frankfurt — 1.8127 marks, down from 1.9230 (-13 per cent)

Paris — 4.1525 francs, down from 4.1700 (-11 per cent)

Amsterdam — 1.9575 guilders, down from 1.9720 (-13.5 per cent)

Milan — 823.60 lire, down from 828.50 (-5 per cent)

The Zurich gold bullion market, Europe's largest, was closed. In London the late price was \$223.91 a troy ounce, compared to \$226.375 at the close of 1977.

Algeria will supply LNG to British-German firm

HAMBURG, Jan. 2 (R) — The Algeria state oil company, Sonatrach, has agreed to supply the West German subsidiary of British Petroleum, Deutsche BP AG, with 4.5 billion cubic meters of liquefied gas a year from

1985, the company said Tuesday. An official declined to give further details of the agreement pending approval by the West German economics ministry and the Algerian government.

S. Korean trade gap triples to \$2.5b

SEOUL, Jan. 2 (AP) — South Korea's customs clearance trade deficit more than tripled in 1978 to \$2.5 billion from the previous year's \$770 million, according to preliminary official statistics.

Korean exports last year were listed as \$12.5 billion, up 25 per cent from the previous year, while imports jumped 38 per cent to \$15 billion.

The wider trade gap was mainly because of increased imports of capital goods for rapid industrialization and raw materials for growing export processing, in addition to the government's further imports liberalization.

The government Economic Planning Board has estimated that the nation's current account deficit should be below \$1 billion in 1978, because of surpluses in the invisible sector, particularly in overseas construction services.

Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

Authority	Description	No. of Tender	Price SR	Closing Date
* Directorate of Education, Medina	Building of six rural schools	xx	200	Feb. 7
* Ministry of Higher Education	Cleaning of the ministry premises and maintaining its gardens	1	50	Feb. 3
* Municipality of Mecca	Securing of insecticides	17	100	Jan. 29
* Directorate of Education, Jizan	Educational aids	98/99	600	Jan. 29
* Governorate of Assir Region	Construction of a guest building	5-98/99	1500	Jan. 23
* " " "	Repairs to governorate building and another for personnel affairs	6-98/99	500	Jan. 23
* " " "	Repairs to the building of Bisha governorate	7-98/99	500	Jan. 23
* " " "	Repairs to the building of Al-Khamis governorate	8-98/99	500	Jan. 23



PORTS AUTHORITY

KING ABDUL AZIZ PORT
DAMMAM

SHIP MOVEMENTS UP TO THE MORNING OF

CHANGES PAST 24 HRS.

DATE: 4.2.1399/2.1.1979
TIME: 0700 HRS.

1. Vessels Working the Ship	Name of the Ship	Agent	Type of cargo	Arrival Date
3	KRK	KANOO	CONTAINERS	01/01/1979
16	ALLEN BURG	KANOO	GENERAL	01/01/1979
18	YONG FONG LU	GOSABRI	GENERAL	31/12/1978
21	EASTERN WAVE (D.B.)	ALIREZA	BULK CEMENT	5/1/1979
27	ARIES CHIEF	KANOO	SHEEP	20/12/1978
28	SWIFT	ORRI	LIME IN BAGS	31/12/1978

Vessels Working at Anchorage

ARAFAT	KANOO	GENERAL	22/12/1978
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2-Recent Arrivals

NOPAL SEL	BARBER	CARS	01/01/1979
YING SHAN	ORRI	RICE/MAIZE	01/01/1979
ALLEN BURG	KANOO	GENERAL	01/01/1979

3-Vessels Expected With in 24 Hours

SILVER EAGLE	SAITE	—	—
ARABIAN STRENGTH	KANOO	—	—
HUAL SKAGERAK	KANOO	—	—
MATHILDE	KANOO	—	—
MAERSK STRATHMORE	KANOO	—	—
KERJA	GULF	—	—
SENANG ISLAND	SAITE	—	—
ESTABLICK	A.E.T.	—	—
MAHARASHMI	S.E.A.	—	—
RHEINFELS	ALIREZA	—	—

4-TONNAGE DISCHARGED: 27,240

5-WAITING TIME: NIL

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PORTS AUTHORITY
JEDDAH ISLAMIC PORTSHIP MOVEMENTS UP TO THE MORNING OF
2ND JANUARY 1979

1-VESSELS DISCHARGING	BERTH	VESSEL	AGENT	CARGO	ARR. DATE
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3	—	—	—	—	—
4	—	MAWAN ISLAND	ALATAS	GENERAL	30/12/1978
5	—	CONCORDIA TADI	ORRI	GEN/CONTR	1/1/1979
6	—	GOOD STAR	OCEAN TRD.	GENERAL	29/12/1978
7	—	—	—	—	—
8	—	CASTLE GLORY	STAR	DURRA	31/12/1978
9	—	—	—	—	—
10	—	ZINNIA	ALSAADA	BAGGED CEMENT	30/12/1978
11	—	ARAB AL AHSA	SADAKA	DURRA	30/12/1978
12	—	TILOS	BARBER	CONTAINERS	1/1/1979
13	—	ATHANASSIA	BARBER	GENERAL/CONTR.	1/1/1979
14	—	—	—	—	—
15	—	LELLO DI MAIO	ALSAADA	PIPES/ACCESSORIES	31/12/1978
16	—	—	—	—	—
17	—	UDYSSEUS MEDCEMENT	ROLACO	BULK CEMENT	26/12/1978
18	—	CARRIER	ROLACO	BULK CEMENT	21/12/1978
19	—	GRENA	AL SABAH	BULK CEMENT	31/12/1978
20	—	ALASKA	AL SABAH	CHICKENS	29/12/1978
21	—	TROLL RIVER	MEDCO	CONTAINERS	1/1/1979
22	—	KANARIS	A.A.	BAGGED CEMENT	28/12/1978
23	—	FILIPINAS SAUDI	S.A.M.A.	ACCOMMODATION SHIP	—
24	—	—	—	—	—
25	—	—	—	—	—
26	—	—	—	—	—
27	—	NAXOS I	M.T.A.	CONTAINERS	1/1/1979
28	—	SELENA	STAR	REEFER	30/12/1978
29	—	NEW STAR	ORRI	SORGHUM/RICE	29/12/1978
30	—	PAULINA	ALSAADA	GENERAL/TRUCKS	30/12/1978
31	—	BLUE MARLIN	ORRI	STEEL GENERAL	1/1/1979
32	—	—	—	—	—
33	—	CARRILLO	M.E.S.A.	BANANAS	31/12/1978
34	—	—	—	—	—

2-Recent Arrivals

TROLL RIVER	MEDCO	TO LOAD EMPLOY CTR	1/1/1979
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PEDRO RAMIREZ	A.E.T.	REEFER	1/1/1979
FOSS HAYRE	FAYEZ	RO RO	1/1/1979
COLUMBIA LAND	FAYEZ	CONTAINERS	1/1/1979
BLUE MARLIN	BARBOLD	OILCAKE	1/1/1979
ATHANASSIA	BARBER	GENERAL	1/1/1979
CONCORDIA TADI	ORRI	GENERAL/REEFER	1/1/1979
LELLO DI MAIO	ALSAADA	GENERAL/APPLES	1/1/1979
TILOS	BARBER	CONTAINERS GENERAL	2/1/1979
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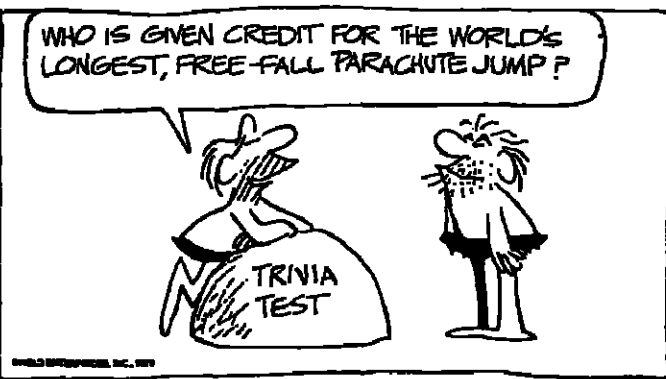
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ANDROMACHI I	SHOBOKSHU	DURRA/OILCAKE	2/1/1979
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MINI LEO	ROLACO	CONTAINERS	2/1/1979
PATRICK	—	—	—
VIEUXJEU	ALGEZIRAH	GEN CONTAINERS	2/1/1979
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STRATHKEITH	KANOO	CONTAINERS	2/1/1979
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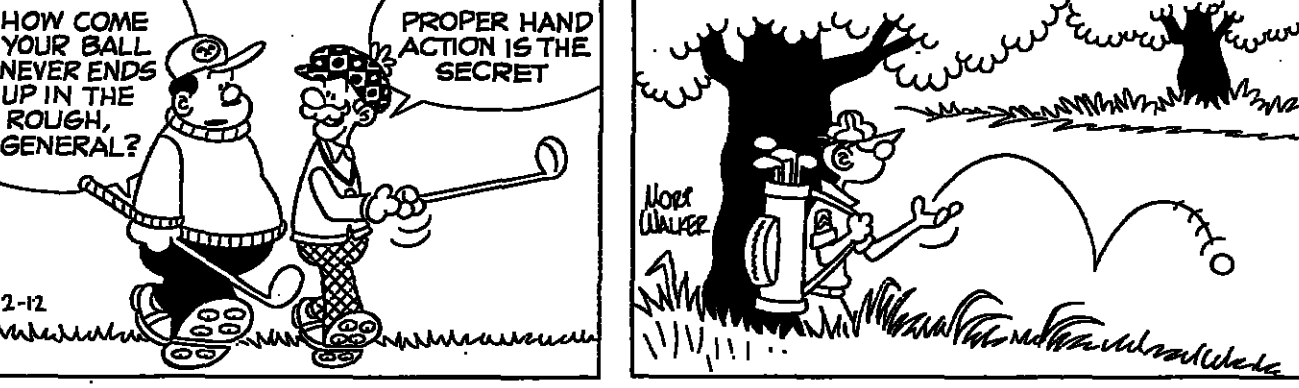
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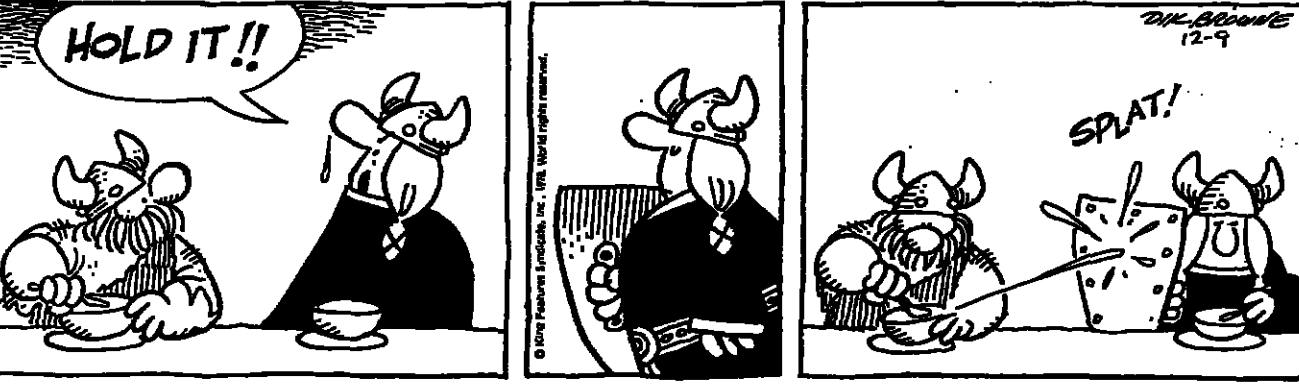
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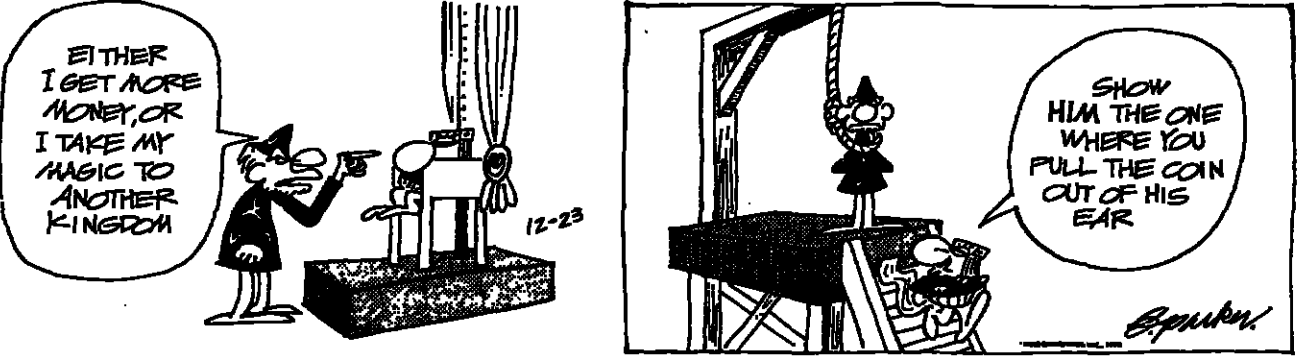
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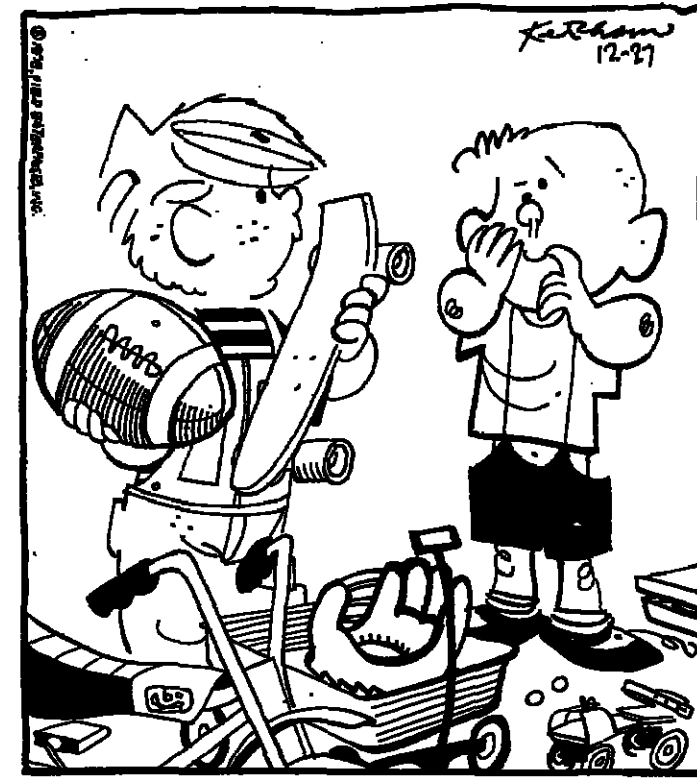
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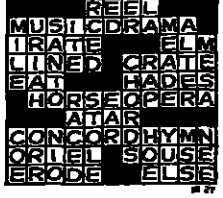


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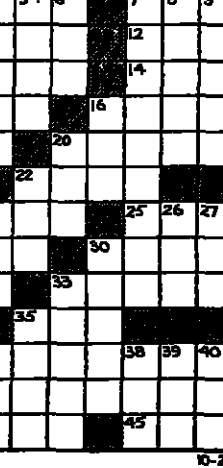
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Yesterday's Answer
1. The No - Look
2. Purpose
3. The Highway - musical
4. Don Quixote's Pance: Lat.
5. "The No - Look"
6. Vampire -
7. Nigerian city
8. Written letter
9. Every bit



DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE - Here's how to work it:
is LONGFELLOW

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

CRYPTOQUOTES

NLG NRH IHCN WCKBNUSBT
RHMC UV NLG GYVUCL TKV
YBKYG KEG: JLGJD GVJTHCGM.

- MHEHNLK AKEEDGE
Yesterday's Cryptquote: IT IS NOT ENOUGH TO BE WITTY; YOU MUST ALSO HAVE ENOUGH WIT TO AVOID HAVING TOO MUCH. - ANDRE MAUROIS

Believe It or Not!



Contract Bridge B. Jay Becker

Bidding Quiz
Obviously, it is too early to throw in the towel, and the recommended action is to double again. However, two spades is also acceptable.
1. Your partner opens One Heart and the next player passes. What would you bid?
2. Your right-hand opponent opens One Heart, which you double. Your left-hand opponent bids Two Hearts, which is followed by two passes. What would you bid now?
3. You deal and bid One Spade, and your partner responds Two Hearts. What would you bid now?
4. Your partner opens Three Clubs and the next player passes. What would you bid now?
5. You bid One Spade and your partner responds Two Clubs. What would you bid now?
1. One Spade. The only other bid worth considering is two spades, but, as played by most experts, the hand lacks the values required for a jump-shift. They would respond two spades over one club or one diamond - because of the greatly increased possibility of a slam. But over one heart they would pull in their hearts and bid only one spade, planning to take giant steps later on.
2. Double. This is still a takeout double, even though partner previously had a chance to respond and bid.
3. Four clubs. The jump raise to four clubs suggests 15 or 16 high-card points, good trump support and probably unbalanced distribution. It carries with it the great advantage of leaving room for either Blackwood or a cuebid if partner is interested in a slam.
4. Five clubs. Three clubs is a preemptive bid primarily aimed at the opponents. At the same time it denies the high-card values generally associated with an opening bid of one in a suit, and it therefore cannot consist of as much as, say, seven clubs to the A-K and a side ace.
5. The most the opener can have is a good club suit and a secondary value of some kind. A slam is therefore out of the question. A response of five clubs is clearly indicated, since game must surely be reached, and any other contract could prove to be highly hazardous.

ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

PRAYER TIMES

WEDNESDAY	Fajr	Ishraq	Dhuhur	Asr	Maghreb	Isha
Mecca	5:39	7:04	12:31	3:37	5:54	7:24
Medina	5:46	7:10	12:33	3:33	5:49	7:19
Nejd	5:11	6:40	11:59	3:00	5:16	6:46

DHAHRAN TV

5:30 Children's Show	Electric Co 397
6:09 Priscilla Hauser	Tote Decorating EP. 13
6:37 Soccer Training Film	How To Watch Soccer
7:10 Safety Film	Motorcycle Driving Tactics
7:30 Eight Is Enough	Great Expectations
8:19 Randal & Hopkirk	Just For The Record
9:07 Channel Theater	A Time For Killing

WEATHER

The western and southwestern highlands and parts of the western coast will remain under the effect of the air depression. For this reason, thick clouds will cover them, breaking into rains coupled sometimes with thunderstorms. The Central Province will also be affected by the air depression.

Surface winds will blow southwards at moderate speed, gaining in velocity in the central and northern provinces, raising dust and sand.

Sea conditions in territorial waters will be calm on the eastern coast and moderate on the western.

Tuesday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca	29	22	Hail	23	03
Jeddah	28	22	Tabuk	20	04
Riyadh	24	11	Turaif	20	02
Dhahran	23	09	Ralha	20	04
Medina	26	12	Yanbu	29	16
Taif	18	09	Abha	19	11

SAUDI RADIO

Afternoon Transmission	Evening Transmission
1:00 Opening	10:00 Opening
1:01 The Holy Quran	10:01 The Holy Quran
1:05 Gens of Guidance	10:05 Message to the Faithful
1:10 S.A. - A Daily Chronicle	10:10 Light Music
1:15 S.A. Historical Notes	10:15 NEWS
1:20 Off the Record	10:25 S.A. - A Daily Chronicle
1:25 Your Choice	10:30 Music Worldwide
1:30 On Islam	11:00 Champions of Solidarity
1:35 Islamic the Divine Truth	11:10 Press Review
1:40 NEWS	11:15 The Sixties
1:45 Press Review	11:45 The World of Guitar
1:50 Music	12:00 Islamic Contributions
1:55 My Music	12:15 The Songwriters
2:00 Close Down	12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
	12:59 Close Down

VOA

F.M.	News Summary
8:00 News Roundup	8:30 VOA Magazine: America; Science; Cultural; Letter.
9:00 News Roundup: Reports; Analysis; Opinion; Analysts	11:00 Special English: News
9:30 News Roundup: Reports; Analysis; Opinion; Analysts	11:30 Music USA: (Jazz)
	VOA WORLD REPORT
	Midnight
	12:00 News... newsmakers' voices... correspondents reports... background features... media comments... news analyses.

BBC

Morning Transmission	4.30 The Pleasure's Yours
8:00 World News	5.15 Report on Religion
8:09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary	6:00 Radio Newsreel
8:30 "Sarah Ward"	6:15 "Outlook"
8:45 World Today	7:00 World News
9:00 Newsdesk	7:09 Commentary
9:30 "Opera Star"	7:15 "Sherlock Holmes"
10:00 World News	7:45 World Today
10:09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary	8:00 World News
10:30 "Sarah Ward"	8:09 "Books and Writers"
10:45 "Something to Show You"	8:30 "Take One"
11:00 World News	8:45 Sports Round-up
11:09 Reflections	9:00 World News
11:15 Piano Style	9:09 News about Britain
11:30 Brain of Britain 1978	9:15 Radio Newsreel
12:00 World News	9:30 Farming World
12:09 British Press Review	10:00 Outlook News Summary
12:15 World Today	10:39 Stock Market Report
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	1:35 Book Choice
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	2:15 The Face of England

Your Individual Horoscope

FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1979
What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)
Co-workers may be touchy or uncooperative today, but that's no reason not to enjoy a quiet dinner at home with a loved one tonight.

Taurus (Apr. 20 to May 20)
You'll have to move gingerly in the social mill right now. A party offers romantic prospects, but it's a mixed bag with other contacts.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
Despite the doubts of loved ones, career gains still can be made. The evening brings an entertaining outing and possibly romance.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
It may be best to put that worrisome problem aside for now. Instead, relax and go out with a loved one for an evening on the town.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)
You'll only add to your financial worries by taking a long-shot gamble now. Still, a good time can be had by all, at little cost, at home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
Partners may seem erratic, but the night ends on an affectionate note. Don't worry about the future of your love - instead, take it day-by-day.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
If you apply yourself to work, instead of worrying about it, you will be at peace with yourself by the day's end. Guard health.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
An "itty" day re affection and entertainment plans - but if you'll forgo expensive places and stick close to home, the day ends harmoniously.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
You may be uncertain as to which alternative to pursue re a domestic issue. Still, there's no place quite like home this cheerful day.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
Don't give way to depression or introversion, for friends will appreciate your viewpoint and a social gathering could lead to love.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
Neither a borrower nor lender be" may be the message now. Despite aggravation, financial and career interests will prosper by day's end.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)
If you feel a loved one is insensitive, a talk with an advisor provides reassurance. Don't let hurt feelings lead to career overights.

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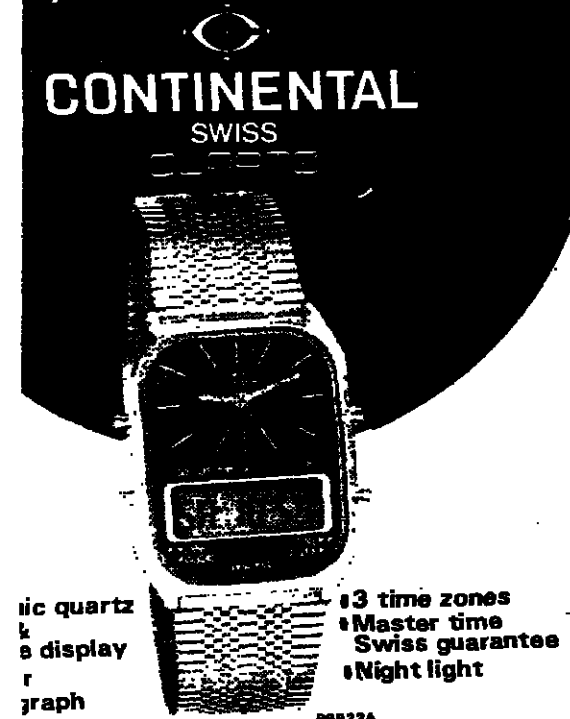
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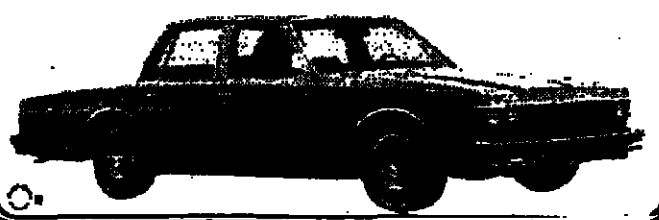
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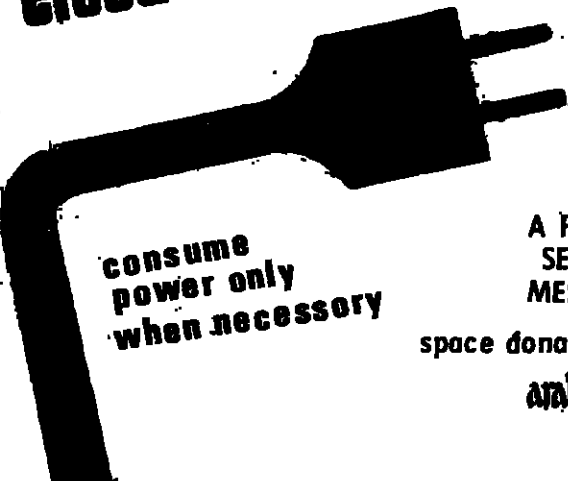
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Late News

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23 reported dead

Europe emerges from winter freeze

LONDON, Jan. 2 (R) — Northern Europe struggled to break the icy grip of winter Tuesday as more deaths were reported from the continent's coldest weather in years.

At least 23 people have died in Britain, France and West Germany alone since the cold snap from the Russian steppes plunged much of Europe into a new year deep freeze.

The latest victims included an eight-year-old French boy who fell through the ice into the flooded pit of a building site, a seven-year-old British boy who died in a similar tragedy, and a 48-year-old tramp found frozen to death Tuesday in a Paris park.

But in one of the worst-hit areas, north Germany, where five people died in blizzards,

conditions were reported to be easing.

Belgian skiers were out on the sand dunes near Ostend and Dutch skating enthusiasts relished the prospect that Holland's most spectacular winter sports event — the 11 towns skating race — would be held next week for the first time in 16 years.

Private cars were allowed

back on most roads of West Germany's northernmost state of Schleswig-Holstein. Army helicopters flew in provisions and ferried out the sick from villages cut off since last weekend.

Across the border to the east, authorities appealed to East German householders to cut down on gas and electricity as snow and freezing temperatures paralyzed fuel supplies to power stations.

Local newspapers said helicopters and soldiers on skis were taking part in relief operations, aided by Soviet troops garrisoned in East Germany.

Signs that temperatures were rising came also from Poland, where thermometers rose a few points throughout the country as power workers battled to repair breakdowns.

But reports from Yugoslavia, Austria, Switzerland and Italy indicated that colder weather was moving southwards.

The Yugoslavs, who were Monday making the most of spring-like weather, suddenly had to contend with snow and freezing northerly winds which affected even the temperate Adriatic Coast.

Switzerland's so-called "little Siberia" region of La Brevine, in the Jura Mountains, recorded minus 20 centigrade during the night as temperatures tumbled from just a few degrees below freezing.

The cold brought a welcome bonus of fresh snow for several Swiss resort areas, which had complained of difficulties because of warm weather before the new year.

Tanker afire in Caribbean; crew members feared dead

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico Jan. 2 (UPI) — A Liberian-registered tanker was reported on fire in the Caribbean Tuesday and 25 of the ship's 30-man crew were missing in a storm.

The Search and Rescue Office of the U.S. Coast Guard in San Juan said a passing Italian freighter, the "Ilice," had picked up four survivors and spotted one body, but the remaining 25 crewmen were missing.

(A similar situation involving another tanker is taking place off Spain (see story, page 4).

Radio messages received from the "Ilice" identified the burning tanker as the "Master Michael," a 350-foot ship carrying asphalt. There was no indication as the cause of the fire, which broke out Monday and forced the crew to abandon ship.

The entire eastern Caribbean has been hit by a storm with high winds and waves over the past few days. Two small boats, one in the Virgin Islands, and one in St. Kitts, were also caught in the storm and the Coast Guard was searching

for three persons missing in those incidents.

The "Master Michael" was reported somewhere in the middle of the Caribbean halfway between the Dominican Republic and South America. The ship's itinerary was not immediately known.

With Saudi envoy

Zia inspects mosque site

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 2 (SPA) — President Zia-ul-Haq visited the site of the King Faisal Mosque here Tuesday with Sheikh Riyadh Al-Khateeb, the Saudi ambassador.

The president said he hoped the mosque will be finished by the end of 1980. President Zia said his country would be proud of a mosque that bears the name of the champion and advocate of Islamic solidarity. Al-Khateeb said that the mosque was a symbol of the brotherly rela-

tions between the two countries.

During his visit to Pakistan in 1966, King Faisal promised to build a large mosque at his own expense. After his death, King Khalid carried out the project and unveiled a plaque during his visit in 1976.

The mosque will be able to accommodate 100,000 worshippers and is being built in a five-kilometer long road which will be named after the late King.

Nears 20th year in exile

Dalai Lama to return only if Tibet is free

NEW DELHI, Jan. 2 (AP) — The Dalai Lama, the exiled political and religious leader of Tibet, will return to his "Chinese-ruled homeland" only if he is satisfied that freedom has been restored to his countrymen, his representative in New Delhi said Tuesday.

"It is not a question of His Holiness returning or the Tibetans in exile going back," Tashi Wangdell said. "That is a secondary question."

"What is more important, he said, is the welfare of the six million inhabitants of Tibet."

"If the Chinese are able to show us beyond doubt and to our full satisfaction that the people are happy and have freedom of speech and other basic rights, then that will settle the problem," Wangdell said.

The Panchen Lama, leading Tibetan religious leader cooperating with the Chinese, said in Peking last Thursday that the Dalai Lama should return to Tibet to build a "modern, strong socialist country."

The Dalai Lama, 43, is nearing the 20th anniversary of his

1959 flight into exile after an unsuccessful revolt against the Chinese.

An estimated 100,000 followers are spread across Asia, Europe, Australia and North America. Nearly 60,000 exiles live in India.

Wangdell said he did not

know if a suggestion by a Chinese diplomat that Taiwan be absorbed politically like Tibet would work. "It is certainly not the solution for us," he said. The Tibetan exiles reject Chinese rule.

Veteran Chinese diplomat Wang Ping-nan said in Peking Monday Tibet's autonomous status could be the model for Taiwan's future if the island decides to merge with the mainland.

Commenting on the recognition of China by the United States, Wangdell said, "We do not attach much importance to it. His Holiness has been informed but may not choose to comment."

The Dalai Lama and his government in exile are based in the mountain town of Dharamsala, about 40 kilometers north of New Delhi.

No casualties reported after Nabatiyeh shelling

SIDON, Lebanon, Jan. 2 (R) — Lebanese right-wing gunners shelled the leftist Nabatiyeh area of southern Lebanon for an hour Tuesday but there were no casualties, according to local residents.

They said several shells landed in the stronghold town itself.

The rightists opened up artillery fire from their positions in Kleya and Marjayoun, close to the Israeli border, the residents said.

Earlier Tuesday Israeli warplanes flew over the whole southern part of the country on what Palestinians believed was a reconnaissance mission.



NEW DELHI, Mrs. Gandhi, surrounded by her supporters, is led off to jail after a vote committing her in parliament. She was released last Tuesday, but was ordered Tuesday to appear in court in south India.

Condition stable

Doctors keep Hess out of jail

BERLIN, Jan. 2 (Agencies) — Convicted Nazi war criminal Rudolf Hess will remain under care at the British Military Hospital in West Berlin "for the time being" instead of returning to Spandau Prison, a spokesman said Tuesday.

The 84-year-old former deputy fuhrer was taken to the hospital last Friday suffering from a circulatory ailment and blurred vision.

In announcing his hospitalization, the spokesman said Hess was to be returned to Spandau Prison — where he is the only inmate — after undergoing three days of tests.

But Hess's health has since prompted the allies to alter the plan and keep him in the hospital for further observation.

The spokesman said Hess's

condition had neither improved nor deteriorated in the last few days.

Hess was sentenced to life imprisonment at the Nuremberg Tribunal in 1946 for helping plan the Nazi war. He was taken prisoner five years earlier on May 10, 1941 after parachuting into Scotland on a self-appointed peace mission.

Adolf Hitler had Hess declared "mentally incompetent" when he learned that his deputy had flown to Scotland in an effort to stop the war.

12 Years

Hess has been the only inmate of Spandau Prison for the last 12 years. His Third Reich comrades, Albert Speer and Baldur von Schirach, were freed from the prison in October 1966 after completing 20-year sentences.

U.S. will apparently pay Israelis to leave Sinai

JERUSALEM, Jan. 2 (R) — Israeli Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich said Tuesday the United States would pay the \$3 billion cost of relocating Israeli army installations, including airfields, in the Negev after withdrawal from Sinai.

Half would be in the form of a grant and half a loan, he told the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee, according to committee mem-

bers. Ehrlich said that under the terms of the draft Israel-Egypt peace treaty the Israeli redeployment must be completed in three years, but it was not certain the new installations could be ready in that time.

He later said that Israel faced three difficult years, as production would be affected by the huge shift of manpower to the construction of military installations in the Negev.

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Foreigners

workers who have been on strike since Saturday, in an effort to resume transport of at least foodstuffs and fuel.

In the last few days, anti-Shah oil workers have been producing only about a third of the 700,000 barrels a day required for the home market.

No oil was being exported from Iran, normally the world's second biggest exporter.

In another development, the Irish embassy in Tehran said Iranian air force jets forced down an Irish-owned airliner Tuesday as it ferried a group of British and Irish air hostesses out of the country, but the plane was permitted later to

take off again from Tehran airport.

Meanwhile, sources said a private charter plane used by Foreign Television Networks to fly film out of Iran was also forced down.

No injuries were reported in either incident.

Meanwhile in Paris, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, the exiled Iranian religious leader, denied U.S. press reports Tuesday that Libya and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) had offered him financial and military assistance.

A spokesman for Khomeini said, "The Ayatollah categorically denies this report."

The spokesman confirmed that Khomeini has received, at their request, on Nov. 21 PLO political advisor Farouk Kadoumi and a Libyan official, identified by the U.S. press reports as Salahuddin.

"But there has never been any question of arms or military and financial aid," the spokesman quoted Khomeini as saying.

The spokesman said that when he was informed of the reported Libyan assistance the Ayatollah replied, that people above all should ask the Libyans about the fate of Lebanese Shiite leader Sayed Mousa Sadr. The latter was reported

to have disappeared during a visit to Libya last year.

Another aide of Khomeini said "some foreign circles find it difficult to admit that we are a genuinely national Iranian movement. We have been variously accused of getting support from the United States, the USSR and other powers."

Algeria's

party meeting and presidential elections, according to informed political sources.

The party congress has never been convened since Boumedienne seized power in 1965, though he himself regarded it as a key element in the country's political structure.

Monday's council announcement came after a meeting between Bitat and army commanders on Sunday. Their meeting was seen as more of an expression of support for the provisional leadership by the army than as an interference in the political process.

The country continued to mourn the death of its charismatic leader Monday as hundreds of thousands of Algerians filed past his grave.

Peking

Any measure we adopt will not affect the income of the people of Taiwan, but the sovereignty of Taiwan must belong to China," the vice-premier said. He made no mention of the flat rejection of Peking's latest approaches by Taiwan leader Chiang Ching-kuo.

China made a major gesture for the new year by asking the shelling of Nationalist-held offshore islands, appealing for an end to hostilities and calling for exchanges and trade between Taiwan and the Mainland.

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